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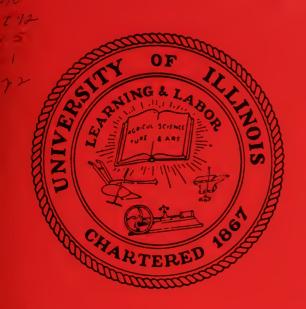
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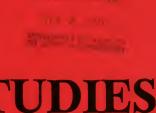
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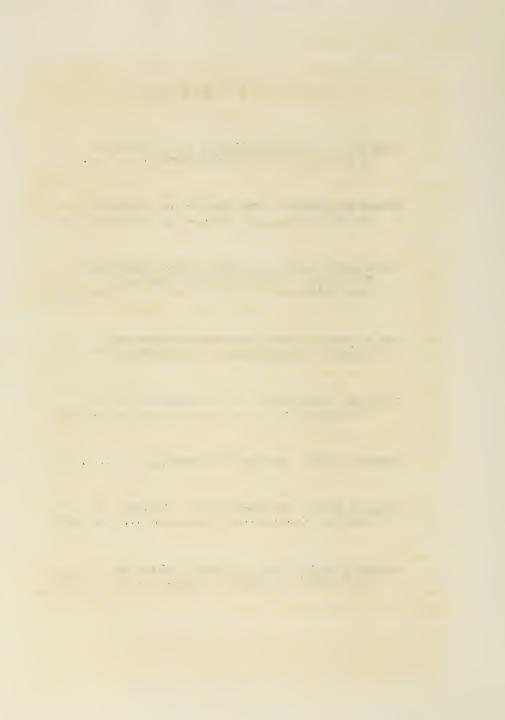
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### AN APPARENT ASYMMETRY IN THE FORMATION OF RELATIVE CLAUSES

### IN MODERN HEBREW\*

### Peter Cole

### I. The Asymmetry

There is an asymmetry in the form of relative clauses in Modern Hebrew (MH). Nominative and Accusative Relativized Noun Phrases (RNP's) may appear in pronominal or null form while all other RNP's can appear only in pronominal form. This asymmetry is illustrated in (1) - (5).

### (1) Nominative RNP

- a. Ze haish she hu veaxi patxu misada beyaxad.

  that (is) the man that he and my brother opened (a) restaurant together
  'That's the man that he and my brother opened a restaurant.'
- b. Ze haish she mara et hakelev sheli. that (is) the man that found acc. marker the dog of mine 'That's the man that found my dog.'

### (2) Accusative RNP

- a. Ze haish she hakelev sheli maca oto al hahar.

  that (is) the man that the dog of mine found acc. marker+him on the mountain
  'That's the man that my dog found on the mountain.'
- b. Ze haish she hakelev sheli maca al hahar. that (is) the man that the dog of mine found on the mountain.'
  'That's the man that my dog found on the mountain.'

### (3) Dative RNP

- a. Ze haish she natati lo et hasefer.

  that (is) the man that (I) gave dative marker+him acc. marker the book
  'That's the man to whom I gave the book.'
- b. \*Ze haish she natati et hasefer. that (is) the man that (I) gave acc. marker the book

- (4) RNP with be 'in'
- a. Ze haet she ani kotev bo. that (is) the pen that I write in it 'That's the pen I write with.'
- b. \*Ze haet she ani kotev. that (is) the pen that I write
- (5) RNP with al 'upon'
- a. Zot hatmuna she ani ohev lehistakel aleha. that (is) the picture that I love to look upon it 'That's the picture I love to look at.'
- b. \*Zot hatmuna she ani ohev lehistakel. that (is) the picture that I love to look

It might be hypothesized that the asymmetry shown in (1) - (5) is due to restrictions on the rule of Relativized Noun Phrase Deletion (RND) in MH. RND optionally deletes a relativized noun phrase under identity with the head noun phrase of the relative clause. This hypothesis would claim that the application of RND is restricted to Nominative and Accusative RNP's. I shall argue that such a hypothesis is incorrect. Not only can the asymmetrical distribution of deletion as a relativization strategy in MH be explained without restricting the environment of RND, but an explanation of this asymmetry in terms of restrictions on RND misses important generalizations regarding the interaction of RND and other rules of MH grammar.

It is claimed in this paper that the asymmetry results from the interaction of RND with two rules affecting the appearance of case markers in surface structure, and with a constraint against the appearance of prepositions when their objects have been deleted. The two rules which are required to generate case markers in the appropriate environments are Case Marking (CM) and Et Deletion (ED). A Constraint Against Preposition Stranding (PSC) is also necessary. I shall argue that the apparent inapplicability of RND to RNP's other than nominatives and accusatives is due to the fact that RND results in preposition stranding with non-nominative or accusative RNP's. In the sections which follow, I shall show how CM and ED

apply to generate the correct case markings in environments other than relative clauses. Examples of the operation of PSC will also be given. I shall then provide derivations demonstrating how the asymmetry illustrated by (1) - (5) results from the interaction of CM, ED, and PSC with RND.

The superficial distribution of case markers in MH is as follows: Nominative NP's receive no overt case marker in any environment. This can be seen from (6).

(6) Yeladim ohavim leexol.
 children love to eat
'Children love to eat.'

II. Case Marking and ET Deletion

Accusative noun phrases are preceded by the preposition  $\underline{et}^3$  if the noun is definite  $\underline{et}^4$ . Otherwise no overt case marker appears.

- (7) a. Raiti et Miriam etmol.
- (I) saw acc. marker Mary yesterday'I saw Mary yesterday.'
- b. \*Raiti Miriam etmol.
  - (I) saw Mary yesterday
- (8) a. \*Raiti et ec yafe etmol.
  - (I) saw acc. marker tree beautiful yesterday
- b. Raiti ec yafe etmol.
- (I) saw (a) tree beautiful yesterday
  'I saw a beautiful tree yesterday.'

Dative noun phrases are preceded by the preposition  $\underline{\mathsf{le}}$  whether definite or not.

(9) a. Natati et hasefer layeled.
(I) gave acc. marker the book dat. marker the child
'I gave the book to the child.'

- b. Natati et hasefer leyeled.
  - (I) gave acc. marker the book dat. marker (a) child
- 'I gave the book to a child.'

It is unclear whether certain instances of <u>be</u>, <u>al</u>, and other prepositions should be interpreted as case markers and therefore inserted by the rule of Case Marking discussed below. In any case, the conditions on the appearance of those prepositions are parallel to these on <u>le</u> in that they appear before both definite and indefinite noun phrases.

The case markers illustrated in (6) - (9) can be generated by two rules: A cyclic rule of CM and a rule deleting et when it is not followed by a definite noun phrase. CM marks subject noun phrases with a null case marker, direct object noun phrases with the accusative case marker et, and indirect object noun phrases with the dative case marker le. Certain verbs are lexically marked as taking objects in cases other than those just mentioned: e.g. the direct object of lazzor 'to help' receives the dative case marker le.

In section V I show that CM should be treated as cyclic, and in section VI I present reasons why CM and ED should be formulated as separate rules. Thus, I shall not discuss these questions here.

Derivations exemplifying the application of CM and ED follow.

- (10) Case Marking of Subject NP
- a. Underlying String: Hayeled haya sham the child was there
- b. Output of CM:Ø Hayeled haya shamthe child was there
- c. ED does not apply.
- d. Surface String: Hayeled haya sham the child was there 'The child was there'.

- (11) Case Marking of Definite Direct Object NP
- a. Underlying String:

Ani raiti Yoxanan

I saw John

b. Output of CM:

Ani raiti et Yoxanan

I saw acc. marker John

- c. ED does not apply.
- d. Surface String: 6

Raiti et Yoxanan.

(I) saw acc. marker John

'I saw John.'

- (12) Case Marking of Indefinite Direct Object NP
- a. Underlying String:

Ani raiti yeled

I saw (a) child

b. Output of CM:

Ani raiti et yeled

I saw acc. marker (a) child

c. Output of ED:

Ani raiti yeled

I saw (a) child

d. Surface String:

Raiti yeled.

(I) saw (a) child

'I saw a child.'

- (13) Case Marking of Indirect Object NP
- a. Underlying String:

Ani hirbacti hakelev7

I hit the dog

- b. Output of CM:
  - Ani hirbacti la kelev
    - I hit dat. marker the dog
- c. ED does not apply.
- d. Surface String:

Hirbacti la kelev.

(I) hit dat. marker the dog

'I hit the dog.'

It has been seen that CM assigns case markers to noun phrases on the basis of grammatical relations or lexical marking. Prepositional accusative case markers are deleted when the noun phrase is not definite. (But see footnote 4.) Nominative noun phrases receive null case markers. Thus, on the basis of CM and ED, only nominative and certain accusative noun phrases appear without prepositional prefixes in derived structure.

III. Preposition Stranding Constraint

A constrain against the strending of prepositions (PSC) must be posited for MH. This constraint marks as ill formed any surface structure in which a preposition appears without a nominal complement. The effects of PSC on the formation of wh-questions are illustrated in (14) - (15).

- (14) Wh-Question Formation (WQF)
- a. Al mi ata xoshev? upon who you think 'Whom are you thinking about?'
- b. Lemi natata et hasefer? to who (you) gave acc. marker the book 'To whom did you give the book?'
- c. Bema ata kotev?
   in what you write
  'What are you writing with?'

- (15) a. \*Mi ata xoshev al? who you think upon
- b. \*Mi natata et hasefer le? who (you) gave acc. marker the book to
- c. \*Ma ata kotev be? what you write in

The sentences of (14) - (15) show that PSC applies to WQF.

The following sentences show the applicability of this constraint to Topicalization (TOP) (16 - 19) and Relative Pronoun Preposing (RPP) (20)-(23).

- (16) Topicalization
- a. Ani xoshev al Miriam.
- I think upon Mary
  'I am thinking about Mary.'
- b. Al Miriam ani xishev. upon Mary I think 'About Mary I am thinking.'
- c. \*Miriam ani xoshev al. Mary I think upon
- (17) a. Natata et hasefer leMiriam?

  (you) gave acc. marker the book to Mary
  'You gave the book to Mary?'
- b. LeMiriam natata et hasefer? to Mary (you) gave acc. marker the book 'To Mary you gave the book?'
- c. \*Miriam natata et hasefer le?
  Mary (you) gave acc. marker the book to

- b. Beet ani kotev.in pen I write'With a pen I am writing.'
- c. \*Et ani kotev be pen I write in
- (19) a. Ani kotev et hamixtav.

  I write acc. marker the letter
  'I am writing the letter.'
- b. Et hamixtav ani kotev. acc. marker the letter I write 'The letter I am writing.'
- c. \*Hamixtav ani kotev et.
  the letter I write acc. marker
- (20) Relative Pronoun Preposing
- a. Zot habaxura she ani xoshev aleha. that (is) the girl that I think upon her 'That is the girl that I think about.'
- b. Zot habaxura she aleha ani xoshev. that (is) the girl that upon her I think 'That is the girl that I am thinking about.'
- c. \*Zot habaxura she hi ani xoshev al. that (is) the girl that she I think upon
- (21) a. Zot habaxura she natati la et hasefer.
  that (is) the girl that (I) gave dat. marker her acc. marker the book
  'That is the girl I gave the book to.'

- b. Zot habaxura she la natati et hasefer. that (is) the girl that dat. marker her (I) gave acc. marker the book 'That is the girl to whom I gave the book.'
- c. \*Zot habaxura she hi natati et hasefer le. that (is) the girl that she (I) gave acc. marker the book to
- (22) a. Ze haet she katavti bo.
  that (is) the pen that (I) wrote in
  'That is the pen I was writing with.'
- b. Ze haet she bo katavti.
   that (is) the pen that in it (I) wrote
  'That is the pen with it I wrote.'
- c. \*Ze haet she hu katavti be. that (is) the pen that it (I) wrote in
- (23) a. Ze hamixtav she katavti oto. that (is) the letter that (I) wrote acc. marker it 'That is the letter that I wrote.'
- b. Ze hamixtav she oto katavti. that (is) the letter that acc. marker it (I) wrote 'That is the letter which I wrote.'
- c. \*Ze hamixtav she hu katavti et. that (is) the letter that it (I) wrote acc. marker

Examples (14) - (23) are evidence that PSC blocks the stranding of prepositions by WQF, TOP, and RPP. The same constraint applies to the output of RND. This can be seen from examples (24) - (27).

- (24) a. Zot habaxura she ani xoshev aleha.

  that (is) the girl that I think upon her
  'That is the girl I think about.'
- b. \*Zot habaxura she ani xoshev al. that (is) the girl that I think upon

- (25) a. Zot habaxura she natati la et hasefer.

  that (is) the girl that (I) gave dat. marker her acc. marker the book.

  'That is the girl to whom I gave the book.'
- b. \*Zot habaxura she natati le et hasefer. that (is) the girl that (I) gave dat. marker acc. marker the book
- (26) a. Ze haet she katavti bo.
   that (is) the pen that (I) wrote in it
  'That is the pen I wrote with.'
- b. \*Ze haet she katavti be. that (is) the pen that (I) wrote in
- (27) a. Ze hamixtav she katavti oto.
   this (is) the letter that (I) wrote acc. marker it
  'That is the letter I wrote.'
- b. \*Ze hamixtav she katavti et. this (is) the letter that (I) wrote acc. marker

The applicability of PSC to a deletion rule (RND), as well as to various movement rules (WQF, TOP, RPP) suggests that the Preposition Stranding Constraint cannot be formulated as a condition on the application of any particular rule or single group of rules. Rather, the constraint would appear to apply to any surface structure in which a preposition appears without a nominal complement.

### IV. The Derivation of Relative Clauses

I claimed in Section I that the apparent restriction on the applicability of RND is not the result of any limitation on the case of the noun phrases to which that rule applies. Rather, I contended that RND applies regardless of the case of the RNP. However, except with nominative and accusative RNP's, RND results in preposition stranding.

The derivations which follow show how preposition stranding is avoided for nominative and accusative noun phrases, but not for noun phrases of other cases.

IV.1 Relative Clauses with Nominative RNP's Phrase marker (28) constitutes the input to the rules discussed above.



CM marks the subject of  $S_1$  with the null case marker. RND deletes  $NP_2$ , as coreferential with  $NP_1$ . ED does not apply. The output of CM and RND is (29).

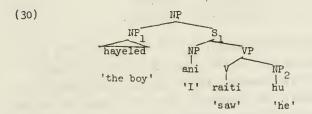
(29)

habaxura she higia etmol

the girl that arrived yesterday

PSC does not apply to (29). Thus, the surface structure corresponding to (29) is grammatical.

IV.2 Relative Clauses with Accusative RNP's Phrase marker (30) is the input to the rules in question.



Case marking applies to NP<sub>2</sub> marking  $\underline{h}\underline{u}$  as accusative  $\underline{et-h}\underline{u}$  (later spelled out as  $\underline{oto}$  if not deleted). RND optionally applies deleting  $\underline{h}\underline{u}$  of NP<sub>2</sub>. As a result of the deletion of  $\underline{h}\underline{u}$ ,  $\underline{et}$  no longer precedes a definite noun phrase. Therefore, ED deletes  $\underline{et}$  of NP<sub>2</sub>. The output of these rules is (31), which does not violate the preposition stranding constraint.

(31) hayeled she ani raiti the child that I saw

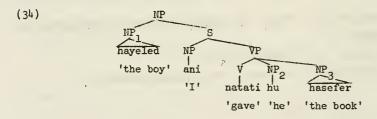
An alternative derivation, in which RND does not apply, is also well formed. If, after application of CM, RND does not apply, the application of ED is blocked. The output of the derivation is (32), corresponding to surface structure (33).

- (32) hayeled she ani raiti et-hu the boy that I saw acc. marker he
- (33) hayeled she raiti oto
   the boy that (I) saw him
  'the boy whom I saw'

No violation of preposition stranding is found in (32); thus (33) is well formed.

IV.3 Relative Clauses with Dative RNP's

Consider the derivation applying to (34)



CM applies to NP $_2$  affixing the dative marker <u>le</u>. (I shall ignore NP $_3$  as irrelevant here.) The optional rule of RND deletes <u>hu</u> of NP $_2$  leaving the case marker <u>le</u>. There is no rule deleting dative case markers analogous to the ED (which deletes accusative case markers). Thus, the output of the derivation is the ungrammatical (35), which violates the preposition stranding constraint.

(35) \*hayeled she ani natati le et hasefer the boy that I gave dat. marker acc. marker the book

In contrast to the derivation just outlined, if RND is not applied, the output is a grammatical relative clause:

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(36) hayeled she natati lo et hasefer the boy that (I) gave dat. marker him acc. marker the book 'the boy to whom I gave the book'

This is because in the derivation without RND  $\underline{h}\underline{u}$  of NP<sub>2</sub> in (36) is not deleted. Thus, the violation of the PSC seen in (35) does not take place. IV.4 RNP's Preceded by Prepositions Other than et and le.

There is no rule analogous to ED which could prevent preposition stranding in the derivation of relative clauses with prepositions other than et.

Thus, the derivation of relative clauses when the RNP is preceded by a preposition other than et or le is parallel to that of relative clauses with dative RNP's. Just as with le, the application of RND to RNP's preceded by prepositions other than et and le leads to ill formed relative clauses containing stranded prepositions. No example is given because the derivation is identical in all relevant respects to that given for dative RNP's.

### V. Rule Interaction

I have shown that the interaction of CM, RND, ED, and PSC as formulated in previous sections correctly predicts the possibility of deleting nominative and accusative relativized noun phrases and the impossibility of deleting other relativized noun phrases. I should like to turn now to an examination of the interaction among these four syntactic processes. I shall assume that the use of extrinsic rule ordering is to be taken as evidence against an analysis. The absence of a need for extrinsic ordering will be interpreted as corroborative.

The constraint against preposition stranding must be ordered after all three syntactic rules. CM inserts prepositions which, as a results of a later rule, are subject to stranding. RND must be ordered before PSC because, by deleting RNP's, RND can strand prepositions. (Movement rules like WQF, TOP, and RPP must also precede PSC for the same reason.) ED, on the other hand, must precede PSC because by deleting a class of prepositions it precludes the application of PSC.

I have proposed that PSC is a constraint applying to surface structure similar to the surface structure constraints noted by Perlmutter (1971). Since surface structure constraints-by their nature-have access only to the output of all syntactic rules, the ordering of PSC requires no statement of

extrinsic ordering.

RND is crucially ordered with respect to CM. If, in the case of non-nominative or accusative RNP's, RND applies before CM, ungrammatical relative clauses are generated. 

Consider derivations (37), in which RND is assumed to apply before CM.

- (37) a. Underlying String:

  haish ani natati hu sefer
  the man I gave he book
- b. Output of RND:haish ani natati seferthe man I gave the book
- (37b) does not fulfill the structural description of CM. Thus, the preposition <u>le</u> is not introduced and the ungrammatical relative clause (38) is incorrectly generated by the rules of the grammar.
- (38) \*haish she natati sefer
  the man that (I) gave book
  'the man that I gave a book'

Note that because no preposition is introduced in (37), (38) cannot be blocked by PSC. Compare derivation (37) with derivation (39), in which CM is ordered before RND.

- (39) a. Underlying String:
  haish ani natati hu sefer
  the man I gave he book
- b. Output of CM:haish ani natati le-hu seferthe man I gave dat. marker he book
- c. Output of RND:

  \*haish ani natati le sefer
  the man I gave dat. marker book

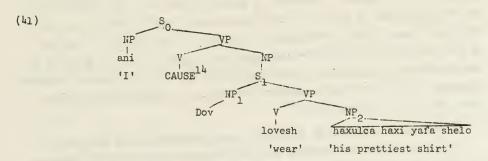
String (39c) violates PSC, correctly yielding an ungrammatical output.

The fact that CM must apply prior to RND does not imply that CM is extrinsically ordered before RND. If, for example, CM is cyclic and RND is postcyclic, the principle of the cycle would result in the application of RND after CM without the need for an extrinsic ordering statement. I shall show below that there is reason to believe that this is indeed the correct analysis. There is evidence showing that CM is neither precyclic nor postcyclic. Thus, subject to certain reservations that would not affect the present discussion, we may assume CM to be cyclic. There is some reason to believe that rules of relativization are postcyclic. Thus, the principle of the cycle apparently accounts for the ordering of CM and RND.

I shall now turn to the evidence that CM is neither precyclic nor post-cyclic. In colloquial speech, certain causative verbs appear in surface structure with two accusative objects.

(40) Hilbashti et Dov et haxulca haxi yafa shelo
(I) caused to wear acc. marker Dov acc. marker the shirt most beautiful of hir
'I had Dov wear his prettiest shirt.'

Sentence (40) appears to derive from an underlying structure similar to that of (41).  $^{13}$ 



A rule of Verb Raising, the details of which I discuss elsewhere, 15 maps the two clause structure of (41) onto a single clause in derived structure.

If case marking is cyclic, the accusative marking of both noun phrases of (40) is automatically accounted for. Case marking applies to  $\mathrm{NP}_2$  on the  $\mathrm{S}_1$  cycle marking the direct object of that clause accusative. Verb raising

applies on the  $S_0$  cycle making  $NP_1$  the derived direct object of the main clause. Case marking then applies to  $NP_1$  marking that noun phrase accusative.

It is of interest to note that NP<sub>2</sub> appears not to be a direct object in derived structure. Passivization of Modern Hebrew is in general restricted to direct objects. 16 Although passivization may be somewhat less than fully acceptable when applied to either of the accusative noun phrases of (40), passivization of the noun phrase corresponding to NP<sub>1</sub> in (41) is far better than passivization of the noun phrase corresponding to NP<sub>2</sub>.

(42) a. Dov hulbash et haxulca haxi yafa shelo.

Dov (passive) caused to wear acc. marker the shirt most beautiful of him

b. \*Haxulca haxi yafa shel Dov hulbesha oto. the shirt most beautiful of Dov caused to wear acc. marker + he

'Dov was made to wear his prettiest shirt.'

Thus,  $\mathrm{NP}_1$  and not  $\mathrm{NP}_2$  is the direct object in derived structure.

While cyclic application of CM accounts for the double accusative in causative sentences like (40) both precyclic and postcyclic application of CM fail to assign accusative case to the correct noun phrases. If CM were applied precyclically, only the underlying direct object of S<sub>1</sub>, NP<sub>2</sub>, would receive accusative case. NP<sub>1</sub> is subject of S<sub>1</sub> prior to the application of the cycle and, therefore, would not be marked accusative. The postcyclicity of CM is precluded as well. If CM was postcyclic, only NP<sub>1</sub> would receive a accusative case. This is because at this stage in the derivation only NP<sub>1</sub> is a direct object. Thus, CM would appear to be cyclic (but see footnote 11) and therefore to apply prior to RND without the need for an extrincic ordering statement. No other candidates for extrinsic ordering may be found among the rules presented above. 19

VI. Alternative Analysis: Et Deletion versus Conditions on Et Insertion
In this section two possible alternative analyses-Alternative Analysis
One (AAI) and Alternative Analysis Two (AAII)-will be considered and rejected.
In both altenative analyses no rule of ED is posited. Rather, CM is modified in such a way that et is introduced only before definite noun phrases. 20
Despite the initial attractiveness of these alternative analyses, I shall contend that separate rules of CM and ED are called for.

Let us consider first AAI, which is identical to my analysis of Sections I-IV except that there is no rule of ED, and, in the case of accusative noun phrases, the case marker is inserted only before definite NP's. I shall call this modified rule of case marking Restricted Case Insertion (RCI).

The evidence against RCI comes from the interaction between RCI and RND. Consider the ordering of the two rules necessary to generate correctly relative clauses like (43).

(43) hadira she kaniti
 the apartment that (I) bought
'the apartment I bought'

In order to produce (43), RND must apply prior to RCI as in derivation (45), rather than subsequent to RCI as in derivation (44).

(44) a. Underlying string:

hadira ani kaniti hi the apartment I bought it

b. Output of RCI:

hadira ani kaniti et-hi
the apartment I bought acc. marker it

c. Output of RND:

hadira ani kaniti et the apartment I bought acc. marker

d. Surface string:

hadira she kaniti et
the apartment that (I) bought acc. marker

- (45) a. Underlying string:
- hadira ani kaniti hi

the apartment I bought it

b. Output of RND:

hadira ani kaniti the apartment I bought

- c. RCI does not apply.
- d. Surface string:

hadira she kaniti
the apartment that (I) bought
'the apartment I bought'

In order to produce the correct output (45d, not 44d), it is necessary to reverse the ordering of case marking and RND posited previously. RCI must apply after RND in order to generate (43). This is because a rule of et deletion is not available in order to prevent preposition stranding in derivations like (44). As a result of the hypothesized nonexistence of a rule like ED, RCI must be ordered at a stage in the derivation when its structural description is not met:

i.e. when no definite direct object is present. The absence of a definite direct object blocks the application of RCI, thereby producing the correct output.

Consider now the ordering of RCI and RND necessary to account for relative clauses with prepositions other than et, e.g. (46). 21

(46) a. haisha she azarti la.

the woman that (I) helped dat. marker her

<sup>&#</sup>x27;the woman I helped'

b. \*haisha she azarti

the woman that (I) helped

In order to correctly predict the facts of (46), RCI must apply before RND as in (47), rather than after RND as in (48).

(47) a. Underlying string:

haisha ani azarti hi

the woman I helped her

b. Output of RCI:

haisha ani azarti le-hi

the woman I helped dat. marker her

c. Output of RND:

haisha ani azarti le

the woman I helped dat. marker

d. Surface string:

haisha she azarti le

the woman that (I) helped dat. marker

(48) a. Underlying string:

haisha ani azarti hi

the woman I helped her

b. Output of RND:

haisha she ani azarti

the woman that I helped

- c. RCI does not apply.
- d. Surface string:

haisha she azarti

the woman that (I) helped

Derivation (47), in which RCI is ordered prior to RMD, produces a surface string in which a stranded preposition le is found. The output is marked as ill formed by PSC. Thus, the ordering of RCI before RMD (derivation (47)) correctly predicts that relative clauses like (46b) are ungrammatical since the set of rules provides no derivation for such relative clause. If, however, RND is ordered before RCI, as in  $(\frac{1}{2})$ , a derivation for the ungrammatical (46b) is provided. Note that the undesirable failure of RCI to apply in (48) has the same explanation as the desirable failure of RCI to apply in (45). Once the object noun phrase has been deleted, the structural description of RCI cannot be met. That is, an ordering contradiction results from the replacement of ED by limitations on the application of case marking in AAI. The contradiction derives from the need to order RCI after RND for accusative noun phrases (in order to prevent preposition stranding) and before RND for all other non-nominative noun phrases (in order to allow preposition stranding and thereby block ungrammatical relative clauses). Therefore, AAI must be rejected.

It is possible, however, to rodify AAI in such a way as to eliminate the ordering contradiction. This modified version, AAII, does not suffer from flaws as serious as those of AAI, but the analysis has certain difficulties that lead one to prefer an et deletion analysis (EDA), such as was proposed in Sections I-IV.

The ordering contradction found in AAI is resolved in AAII by dividing RCI into two rules: a general case marking rule (GCM), applying to non-accusative noun phrases, and an accusative restricted case marking rule (ARCI), applying only to definite noun phrases. GCM is ordered

before RND and ARCI after RND. Derivations (49) and (50) show that AAII correctly permits the generation of (43), where deletion of an accusative relativized noun phrase has taken place, but does not permit the deletion of non-accusative relativized noun phrases, for example, in (46b).

(49) a. Underlying String:

hadira ani kaniti hi
the apartment I bought it

- b. GCM does not apply.
  - c. Output of RND:

hadira ani kaniti
the apartment I bought

- d. ARCI does not apply.
  - e. Surface String:

hadira she kaniti
the apartment that (I) bought
'the apartment I bought'

(50) a. Underlying String:
haisha ani azarti hi
the woman I helped her

b. Output of GCM:ha isha ani azarti le-hi

the woman I helped dat. marker her

c. Output of RND:

haisha əni azarti le the woman I helped dat. marker

- d. ARCI does not apply.
- e., Surface String (blocked by PSC):

haisha she azarti le

the woman that (I) helped dat. marker

Although AAII succeeds in generating relativized noun phrases of the correct form, there is evidence pointing to the conclusion that this analysis is incorrect. I shall cite two reasons to prefer EDA to AAII.

The first objection to AAII is based on general considerations of simplicity in grammar. AAII aviods the ordering contradiction of AAI by dividing case marking into two processes, and by ordering the two rules in different fashions with respect to another rule in the grammar (RND). Thus, AAII is a more complex and, all other factors equal, a less highly valued analysis than AAI. (Of course, other factors are not equal. AAI fails to generate the correct forms.) Let us compare EDA and AAI. It will be seen that EDA and AAI are equally simple analyses. AAII is more complex than AAI, and, therefore, AAII is more complex than EDA. In the absence of empirical evidence to the contrary, EDA is to be preferred to AAII.

In AAII and EDA there are three factors which determine the form of relativized noun phrases. In EDA the factors are CM, RND, and ED. In AAI there are also three factors: case marking, a restriction on accusative case marking limiting it to definite noun phrases, and RND. It should be noted that the restriction on case marking is simply the converse of ED. The two analyses require equivalent derivational machinery, and therefore, are equivalent in simplicity.

AAII can be seen to be more complex than AAI and EDA because in AAII the same information must appear at two points in the derivation while it need appear at only one point in AAI and EDA. The repeated information is the conditioning factor for case marking, derived grammatical relations. Thus, unless AAII is of greater empirical adequacy than EDA, the latter analysis is to be preferred. The division of ARCI into two rules in AAII must be viewed as an ad hoc attempt to repair AAI when AAI was found to suffer from empirical inadequacies.

The second objection to AAII has to do with the empirical adequacy of the analysis. AAII fails to make the correct predictions with regard to data correctly predicted by EDA. According to AAII, accusative case marking is ordered after RND. Evidence was presented in Section V that RND is postcyclic. Thus, ARCI would have to be postcyclic as well. However, in Section V it was argued that accusative case marking must be cyclic. The cyclic analysis of accusative case marking provides a principled explanation for double accusatives in causative sentences like (40), and for the distribution of passive in related sentences like those of (42). Thus, the adoption of AAII necessitates the abandonment of apparently well-founded generalizations about the syntax of causative constructions.

I have presented two arguments, one a priori and the other empirical, that tend to support EDA rather than AAII. In the absence of any evidence for AAII, I conclude that an analysis which includes a separate rule of et deletion is to be preferred to an analysis incorporating a rule of et insertion limited to definite noun phrases.

### VII. Additional Evidence

I have argued that the ungrammaticality of relative clauses like those of (49) is due to a constraint in MH against the stranding of prepositions.

- (49) a. "hatmuna she histakalti al the picture that (I) looked upon
  - b. Chakelev she hayeled hirbic le

    the dog that the boy hit dat. marker

In this section I shall present evidence directly supporting the claim.

If a rule deleting al and le in certain environments were added to the grammar of Hebrew, it is predicted that ungrammatical relative clauses like those of (50) would be grammatical.

- (50) a. "hatmuna she histakalti
  the picture that (I) looked
  b. "hakelev she hayeled hirbic
  - the dog that the boy hit

While no such rule is found in standard MH, G. Ben Horin (personal communication) has pointed out that a rule having a similar effect is found in many idiolects. The rule allows the deletion of prepositions preceding RNP's when the preposition is identical to the preposition preceding the head noun phrase of the relative clause. The rule of relativized prepositional noun phrase deletion (RPND) is illustrated in (51).

(51) a. Natati sefer le oto yeled she Miriam natna sefer.(I) gave (a) book dat. marker same boy that Mary gave (a) book'I gave a book to the boy to whom Mary gave a book.'

- c. Raiti et oto hayeled she Miriam natna sefer.
- (I) saw acc. marker the boy that Mary gave (a) book
- d. Raiti et oto hayeled she Miriam natna lo sefer.
- (I) saw acc. marker same the boy that Mary gave dat. marker him (a) book
- 'I saw the very boy to whom Mary gave the book.'

RPND has the effect of preventing preposition stranding by deleting the preposition of certain RNP's. Examples of RPND with <u>al</u>, 'on' and <u>be</u> 'in' are given in (52) and (53) below.

- (52) a. Yashavta al kise she Ben-Gurion yashav.
  - (You) sat upon chair that Ben-Gurion sat.
  - 'You sat on a chair on which Ben-Gurion sat.'
  - b. Yashavta al kise she Ben-Gurion yashav alav.
  - (You) sat upon chair that Ben-Gurion sat on it
  - 'You sat on a chair on which Ben-Gurion sat.'
  - .c. "Reita kise she Ben-Gurion yashav.
  - (You) saw chair that Ben-Gurion sat
  - d. Raita kise she Ben-Gurion yashav alav.
  - (You) saw chair that Ben-Gurion sat on it
  - 'You saw a chair on which Ben-Gurion sat.'
- (53) a. Histakalti bamilon she ata histakalta.
  - (I) looked at (the) dictionary that you looked
  - 'I looked at the dictionary that you looked.'
  - b. Histakalti barilon she ata histakalta bo.
  - (I) looked at (the) dictionary that you looked in it
  - 'I looked at the dictionary at which you looked.'

- c. "Raiti et hamilon she ata histakalta.
- (I) saw acc. marker the dictionary that you looked
- d. Raiti et hamilon she ata histakalta bo.
- (I) saw acc. marker the dictionary that you looked in it 'I saw the dictionary which you looked at.'

The existence of sentences like those of (51) - (53) corroborates the position taken in earlier sections of this paper that the asymmetry noted in (1) - (5) is not due to restrictions on RND, but rather to the interaction of a number of rules with the constraint against preposition stranding.

### VIII. Summary of Conclusions

This paper is a synchronic study in the origin of an asymmetry in the relativization strategies available in Modern Hebrew. Subject to certain restrictions, nominative and accusative relativized noun phrases may appear as pronouns or as null forms in derived structure. Relativized noun phrases of other cases may appear only in pronominal form. This asymmetry is shown not to result from restrictions on the rule of Relativized Noun Phrase Deletion. Rather, Relativized Noun Phrase Deletion can apply to noun phrases of all cases. However, except for nominative and accusative relativized noun phrases, the derivation results in the stranding of a prepositional case marker. Preposition stranding is ungrammatical in Modern Hebrew.

Mominative noun phrases have a null case marker. Thus, deletion does not lead to preposition stranding in the case of nominative relativized noun phrases. In the case of accusative relativized noun phrases, the rule of Relativized Noun Phrase Deletion feeds a rule of

Et (accusative preposition) Deletion. This rule is justified in the body of the paper. Et Deletion deletes the accusative case marker et when the case marker is not followed by a definite noun phrase. This is the same rule that governs the presence of the accusative case marker in simple sentences. Et Deletion deletes the accusative case marker in relative clauses if Relativized Noun Phrase Deletion has applied. This is because the application of Relativized Noun Phrase Deletion creates an environment in which et is not followed by a definite noun phrase. As a result of Et Deletion, the application of Relativized Noun Phrase Deletion in accusative relativized noun phrases does not result in preposition stranding. The fact that no stranded prepositions result from the deletion of nominative and accusative relativized noun phrases explains why these noun phrases, but not relativized noun phrases of other cases, may undergo deletion rather than pronominalization.

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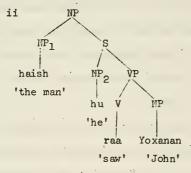
There is a strong tendency to prefer the null form of nominative RNP's and a lesser tendency to prefer the null form of accusative RNP's.

Even in the case of nominative RNP's the pronominal form is known to occur occasionally.

<sup>2</sup>I shall assume for the sake of simplicity that RMP's appear in pronominal form in underlying structure. Thus, (i) would be represented as (ii).

(i) haish she raa et Yoxanan the man that saw acc. marker John

'The man that saw John'



RND deletes PP<sub>2</sub> because it is coreferential with NP<sub>1</sub>. The assumption that RNP's are pronominal underlyingly can, I believe, be justified (cf. Bach (1968) and Perlmutter (1972) where this issue is discussed.) In any case, the assumption does not affect the claims made in this paper.

3I shall assume that the case marker et is a preposition because the syntactic properties of this case marker are, with one exception, like those of such prepositions as <u>le</u> 'dative case marker' (also 'locative to'), <u>al</u> 'upon', and <u>be</u> 'in'. <u>Et</u> differs from other prepositions in that

its appearance is restricted in the manner described in the body of the paper.

<sup>4</sup>The environment for the appearance of <u>et</u> is more complex than that suggested in the body of the paper. While <u>et</u> does appear before all definite NP's, it appears before some presumably indefinite noun phrases as well:

(i) Et ma raita etmol?

acc. marker who (you) saw yesterday what

('Who did you see yesterday?'

- (ii) Raiti et mishehu barexov etmol aval ani lo zoxer et mi
- (I) saw acc. marker someone in the street yesterday but I don't remember acc.m. who

'I saw someone in the street yesterday but I cannot remember who.'

A detailed discussion is beyond the scope of this paper. Note, however, that the conditioning factor in (ii) cannot be specificity rather than definiteness. The noun phrase sefer exad al rusit 'a book on Russian' in (iii) must be specific because it is pronominalized with hu 'it'. (See Hirschman (1972) for a discussion of this and other tests for the specificity of indefinite noun phrases.)

However, the noun phrase may not be preceded by et.

(iii) a. Ani mexapes sefer exad al rusit. Hu haya al hashulxan etmol.

I look for (a) book one upon Russian. It was upon the table yesterday 'I am looking for a book about Russian. It was on the table yesterday.'

b. "Ani mexapes et sefer exad al rusit. Hu haya al hashulxan etmol.

I look for acc. marker book one on Russian. It was on the table yesterday

<sup>5</sup>The use of underlying and surface strings rather than structures is for expository purposes only. Syntactic rules are assumed to be sensitive to structure and are not limited to properties of the string.

<sup>6</sup>The surface string in this and other examples reflects the application of rules irrelevant to the present discussion.

7The verb <u>leharbic</u> 'to hit' is lexically marked as taking dative direct objects.

<sup>8</sup>The only exceptions to the constraint that I am aware of are time expressions in informal speech. Sentence (ii) is a well formed reply to (i).

- (i) Ma hashaa?
  what (is) the hour
  'What time is it?'
- (ii) xamisha le

'Five to'

The preposition <u>lifney</u> 'before' and <u>axarey</u> 'after' may also be stranded in certain highly restricted contexts in which the complement of the preposition is fully predictable.

<sup>9</sup>The ordering of RND before CM does not result in ill-formed output when the RNP is nominative or accusative.

10Nor last cyclic.

11 There are two additional possibilities:

- (1) CM is a global rule with a cyclic structural description and a postcyclic application similar to that proposed by Andrews (1971) for Ancient Greek. In this case only the structural description of CM would be crucially ordered with respect to RND. If it is assumed that RND is postcyclic, a cyclic structural description for CM would guarantee the correct output without the need for an extrinsic ordering statement.
- (2) CM is an anywhere rule, applying whenever its structural description is met. If it is assumed that obligatory anywhere rules apply prior to optional rules (presumably because the anywhere rule <u>must</u> apply in this environment while the optional rule may not), CM automatically applies before RND. But if CM is presumed to be an anywhere rule, and if it is not assumed that obligatory anywhere rules apply prior to the application of optional rules, an extrinsic ordering statement is needed.

12See Postal 1970, 1971. Note, however, that Postal's arguments may not be applicable to Hebrew, in which case the possibility remains that RND is cyclic and an extrinsic ordering statement is required. Assuming that Postal's arguments are valid for English, in the absence of evidence to the contrary it should be assumed that rules of relativization are universally postcyclic.

13See Aissen 1974 a, b for a general discussion of the derivation of causatives like (40) in a number of languages.

14 CAUSE is to be interpreted as an abstract predicate of causation rather than an actual lexical item.

15Cole (in preparation).

<sup>16</sup>Passivization applies to dative direct object like the objects of laazor 'help' as well as to accusative direct objects. Cf. (i) and (ii).

- (i) a. Ani azarti layeled.
  - b. \*Ani azarti et hayeled
- (ii) c. Hayeled neezar bi.

The rule of passivization does not apply to dative indirect objects or to accusative noun phrases which are not direct objects.

17I should like to note in passing that the argument just given for the cyclicity of CM is also an argument for the cyclicity of verb raising.

This would contradict the claim in Aissen 1974b that verb raising is universally precyclic. Assuming CM to be a cyclic rule, it must also be true that verb raising is cyclic. Since CM is cyclic and CM can apply prior to verb raising, verb raising cannot be precyclic. But CM can also apply after verb raising, so verb raising cannot be postcyclic. Therefore, verb raising must be cyclic.

18It might be suggested that the existence of sentences like (i) constitutes evidence against the cyclic analysis of the double accusative in (40).

- (i) Hilbashti et Dov basveder haze.
- (I) caused to wear acc. marker Dov instru. marker the sweater this

<sup>&#</sup>x27;I had Dov wear this sweater.'

However, I see no incompatibility between the cyclic analysis and the existence of sentences like (i). It is necessary to posit a rule mapping et onto be in certain environments. Such a rule may in fact be independently needed to account for be in (ii).

(ii) Dov lavush basveder.

Dov wear instru. marker the sweater

'Dov is wearing the sweater.'

Sentence (ii) is apparently derived from (iii).

(iii) Dov lovesh et hasveder.

Dov wear acc. marker the sweater

'Dov is wearing the sweater.'

Although the rule relating (iii) and (ii) is restricted to a relatively small number of verbs, this may be due to the fact that the verb form is pre-empted by a type of passive construction (the <u>paul</u> passive). In sentences like (i), the verb form has not been pre-empted. This could explain the fact that the structure illustrated by (i) is possible with a wider range of verbs than that illustrated by (ii).

19Both CM and RND must apply before ED. This is not an extrinsic ordering relationship, however, because CM and RND have the effect of creating the environment in which the structural description for ED is met. Thus, CM and RND are intrinsically rather than extrinsically ordered before ED.

For general discussion of the theoretical issues involved in rule ordering, see Kisseberth (1973) and Cole (1973). Although these papers deal with rule ordering in phonology, much of what is said is applicable to syntx as well.

20 It should be noted that the acceptance of the alternative analyses is consistent with the general hypothesis of this paper --- that the asymetry noted in Section I is due to PSC rather than to restrictions on the applicability of RND. The alternative analyses differ from the analysis that I proposed earlier with respect to the derivational mechanism by means of which the stranding of et is avoided. I have claimed that a rule of et deletion is involved while the alternative analyses claim that et stranding is avoided by restrictions preventing the insertion of et in an environment where stranding would result.

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TIME TRAVEL or THE FUTURISTIC USE OF "TO GO"

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In his paper of 1971, "'Will' and 'Be Going To'", Robert Binnick argues for a difference in semantic import between the two future tense markers represented in his title. In this work I shall accept the accuracy of Binnick's observation and attempt to provide a semantic explanation of the difference. I shall do this by suggesting a semantic account of the ability of the verb "to go" to indicate futurity. The difference in shade will fall naturally out of this explanation. Then, to corroborate this explication of the futuristic usage of "to go", I shall proffer evidence of a general, global kind, distributional data, and, finally, applications to cases from natural language as pragmatic confirmation of this proposal.

We should begin with Binnick's observation. He claims that a higher degree of certainty is associated with the futuristic marker "be going to" than with "will"; i.e., in selecting the former over the latter the speaker had made a stronger epistemic commitment to his claim. The proposed explanation of this phenomenon consists of two parts. First, one notes that the future tense indicated by "to go" is marked by a verb in the present progressive tense. Moreover, the relevant participant is a verb of motion. Thus, without probing beneath the surface, one can interpret a futuristic construction with "be going to" as involving the current progress toward some future state of affairs: movement through time. Haturally, the future state of affairs is semantically represented by a sentential complement to the higher verb, "be going" (the additional "to" in Binnick's title belongs to the lower S). At this point, as a logical move, one would like to posit a purposive clause as the complement S. However, sentences such as 1 demonstrate that the futuristic "to go" stretches beyond the psychological notion of intent and animacy restrictions:

1 The boulder is going to slide off the mountain.

Surely, no one would attribute design or motivation to a boulder. Still, he can inform another that this psychologically barren entity is going to do something.

To account for the higher degree of certainty one need only appeal to the theory of nascence in the present, as mentioned in Binnick's paper. While "will" involves only a prediction on the speaker's part, "be going" entails both a prediction and the attitude that events are already tending toward such an eventuality. In relying on the verb of motion to express futurity, the speaker is thereby describing the evolution of the present into the future. In general terms, a state toward which events or conditions are already tending or moving is thought to be more likely than one which must be predicted without reference to current dispositions and manifestations.

Let us start our defense with evidence of a broadly based nature. One is drawn toward a semantic explanation of the "be going" future by the fact that a number of languages employ the verb meaning "to go" for this extra duty: Latin--"ire"; Spanish-"ir"; Italian--"andare"; French--"aller"; English--"to go". In addition, other verbs of motion can be used to indicate temporal relationships. In French, the verb meaning "to come", "venir", participates in a construction indicating the past tense: "venir de jouer"="to have just played". Literally, the French translates as "to come from playing", and we note that the French verbs meaning "to come" and "to go" complete the temporal symmetry: one goes to or toward the future and one comes from or out of the past.¹

Although pointing in the same temporal direction as "to go", the English verb "to come" also participates in tense marking:

<sup>2</sup> I'm coming to that.=I will be at that point.

Without indulging in an etymological analysis of its derivation from the motion verb, we observe the futuristic aspects of "become":

3 Harry is becoming a father.

However little credit one wishes to give Harry, logically one would say that Harry is temporally advancing toward the state of being a father or father-hood.

For a second thrust, we note that the use of "to go" to indicate the future tense is an instance of a more general phenomenon, which can itself be explained by reference to the analysis thus far proposed to account for futurity. Consider 4:

4 Harry was going to kiss Mary.

Ostensibly, the higher verb is in the English imperfect tense, but one observes the specific character of the conventional reading of this sentence. The germane assertion is that at some time in the past Harry has had the inclination to kiss Mary; i.e., at some time in the past Harry was moving or advancing toward the state of kissing Mary. With human beings such evolutionary processes can often be described with reference to desires and intentions. The only visible difference between the usage in 4 and that employed in the representation of futurity is in the tense of the copula. When "to be" is in the present tense one is presently moving toward the future state; when "to be" is in the past tense one was moving toward the future state at some time in the past.

Thus, we have found that the use of "to go" to indicate futurity is a facet of a more general phenomenon. Moreover, when we factor out the components common to the two usages mentioned, we find only the verb meaning "to go" and the progressive or participial marking. These two elements comprise

the foundation of our explanation of the futuristic usage of "to go". In conjunction with such generalizing observations, one may question the status of such expressions as "have been going" and "had been going", but such an inquiry lies beyond the scope of this paper.

Finally, one can point to pragmatic considerations for support of our claim. As an instructive example, imagine a situation in which one observes John donning his baseball cap, picking up his bat and glove, and phoning a friend for a ride to the ballpark. When we ask John what he is doing (present progressive tense), he responds that he is going to play baseball. Doubtless, John is referring to a future state of affairs in so replying, but he has still managed to successfully answer our query with respect to the present: he is presently in the state or presently participating in the activity of going to play baseball. Note the strangeness of John's replying "I will play baseball" in the context of this hypothetical situation.

Now consider the following problematic cases from Binnick's paper:

5 I will kill Sam if you don't stop me. 6 I'm going to kill Sam if you don't stop me.

Binnick argues that 6 is much to be preferred in a situation in which one is already actively killing Sam, say, by throttling Sam's throat. This analysis is exactly what our account would predict. Next consider Jerry Morgan's example sentences, taken from the same paper:

7 The next time you come, bring your wife. 8 OK, I will. (a promise in reply to the other's suggestion) 9 OK, I'm going to. (an expression of prior intention)

The notion of prior intention conforms perfectly with our

concept of "tending toward". Promising, on the other hand, involves a speech act and implies nothing with regard to prior or current progress toward some future state. Last, consider R. Carter's example sentences, once again from Binnick's 1971 paper:

10 I'll know that at five o'clock (speaker could know it now as well)

11 I'm going to know that at five o'clock. (speaker cannot
 know it now)

In 11 we once more note a process of moving toward a state, in this case a state of knowledge. Since one is heading toward the relevant state, he cannot at the time of the utterance be in it. In 10 one can merely be predicting that he will not have forgotten the germane item at or before five o'clock (or that he will have reremembered it).

Examination of these examples was designed to show how the use of the futuristic "to go" can be explained by reference to the progressive action or activity denoted by the verb of motion. In each case, the speaker's intuitions can be accounted for and the difference (between the uses of "will" and "be going") explicated in the light of such an interpretation.

In conclusion, then, I have provided a semantic explanation of the futuristic usage of "to go": briefly, the motion verb in the present progressive tense signals current progress toward some future state. I have utilized this interpretation to account for the difference in epistemic import between the future tense markers "will" and "be going", as observed by Robert Binnick. Finally, I have proffered evidence of a general, distributional, and pragmatic nature to support the substance of this analysis. If this study raises any further questions, I think the

foremost would concern the regular use of figurative, metaphoric language in ordinary speech. Is this traveling into the future a metaphoric extension of the meaning of "to go"? Is it only a natural application of the sense already embedded in the concept of motion? And how are these questions decidable?

### Footnotes

lAfter the writing of the body of this paper, Ladis-lav Zgusta pointed out to me that Talmy Givón had discussed the futuristic use of "to go" in his paper "Forward Implications, Backward Presuppositions, and the Time Axis of Verbs". Givon argues that the future tense arises as a consequence of the use of "to go" to express intent as in "I went (there) to get back my sousaphone". However, I find Givón's account of the futuristic usage of "to go" both insufficient and unnecessary. The notion of intent is unnecessary to account for the data because of sentences such as 1 above: The boulder is going to slide off the mountain". Surely one would not wish to attribute psychological intent to a boulder despite the grammaticality of 1. Thus, there are cases where the "to go" future arises where the imputation of intent is impossible: intent is not necessary for this occurrence of the future tense. The notion of intent is insufficient to explain the phenomenon because many if not most verbs admit of the intentional deployment noted by Givón without giving rise to the future tense: I screamed to get her attention; I danced to please them; I looked at it to appraise its worth, etc. Thus, the fact that a verb participates in purposive constructions is not sufficient to guarantee its participation in futuristic constructions. Moreover, the intentional analysis ignores a crucial aspect of the futuristic "to go": the use of the present progressive tense. The ordinary present does not yield futurity.

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# EVIDENCE FOR GLOBAL CONSTRAINTS: THE CASE OF REFLEXIVIZATION IN HINDI-URDU

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### 1.0. Introduction.

The aim of this paper is to examine if the devices of transformational rules (Chomsky 1965) and global rules (Lakoff 1970) are adequate to characterize the general principles by which a reflexive pronoun in a Hindi-Urdu sentence is interpreted as coreferential with its antecedent. In this study, we shall first attempt to separate the 'emphatic' reflexive pronouns from the 'true' reflexive pronouns. Next, a set of data that lends itself to an account of reflexivization in Hindi-Urdu in terms of a cyclic transformational rule is presented and discussed in detail. Finally, some data that suggest the preceding hypothesis to be inadequate are examined and conclusions are drawn as to the general principles that determine in which contexts an antecedent-pronoun-relationship holds between a noun phrase and a reflexive pronominal form. It is shown (section 3.1) that any such general principle has to refer to more than one level of representation in the derivation of the sentence, hence the data from Hindi-Urdu supports the notion of global constraints. Lakoff (1970) discusses several general principles that operate in various natural languages that must mention two or even three distinct stages of a derivation. Ross (1969) discusses some interesting cases where application of a specific rule at a certain point in a derivation results in violation of a constraint, but subsequent application of another specific rule at a later stage of the derivation destroys the conditions that define the violation, and hence, the completed derivation results in a more acceptable surface structure. Postal (1972) presents a case of global constraint on pronominalization in English which is similar to what we discuss in this study. The data discussed in section 3.2, however, suggests that it is essential to view global constraints not only as devices that look back to the earlier stages of the derivation, but also as devices that may look to later stages of the derivation for defining well-formedness

conditions. The claim that all conveniently cyclic rules, such as reflexivization, may be reformulated as post-cyclic global rules (Johnson 1974) is considered in 4.1. In conclusion, some of the theoretical implications of this study are discussed briefly.

### 1.1. Reflexive Pronominal Forms

Before proceeding with the description of reflexivization in Hindi-Urdu, we will introduce the reflexive pronominal forms in the language. According to the grammars of Hindi-Urdu, ap 'self' is both the emphatic and the true reflexive pronoun of Hindi (Guru 1920:80-82, Vajpeyi 1958: 1226). Certain other items, such as <u>xud</u> and <u>sveyem</u> also occur as emphatic reflexives (see 1.2 below). The 'true' reflexive <u>ap</u> 'self' has an oblique form <u>apna</u>, and a possessive form which is homophonous with the oblique. Sometimes a reduplicated form <u>apne</u> ap also occurs as a true reflexive (Guru, <u>loc. cit.</u>). The Hindi-Urdu grammarians do not clearly distinguish between true and emphatic reflexives. As the emphatic and true reflexives behave differently and can be separated clearly, we suggest below some criteria which are relevant for this purpose.

# 1.2. Emphatic vs. True Reflexive

The emphatic reflexive does not occur with indefinite noun phrases (NPs, hereafter) whereas indefinite NPs can be the antecedents of true reflexives, e.g.,

- (1) \*koî lərka {ap xud svəyəm } tumse milne aya tha.

  a boy self you with to meet come had a boy himself had come to see you.
- (2) pitaji ap mujhe lene aege.

  xud sveyem

  father self me fetch will come

  Father himself will come to fetch me.
- (3) koł vyckti epna kutta klas me le aya he. a person self+possessive dog class in bring come has Someone has brought his dog into the class room.

(4) koi əpne ko yū pərešan nəhi kərta. anyone self obj.m. thus trouble does not Nobody tortures himself in this fashion.

<u>xud</u> and <u>sveyem</u> occur freely as emphatics, but not as freely as true reflexives; e.g., they do not occur as true reflexives in case the antecedent is either collective or plural. They also do not occur as possesive reflexives, e.g.

- (5) mohen sud ko calak semejhta hε.

  Mohan self obj.m. clever considers

  Mohan considers himself clever.
- (6) həm = ap ko ek hi kəm sənjhē.

  We selves obj.m. one emph. nation may consider

  We should consider ourselves one nation.
- (7) veh (\*xud kī \*xud kī \*xvey em kī) kitab perh reha tha.

  He self+possessive book read -ing was

  He was reading his book.

The true reflexive can be questioned, the emphatic cannot be, e.g.,

- (8) syam apne ko kos raha tha. Shyam obj.m. curse -ing was Shyam was cursing himself.
- (9) syam kis ko kos reha tha? Shyam who obj.m. curse -ing was Who was Shyam cursing?
- (10) mohan ap ram ke sath jaega. Mohan self Ram with will go Mohan himself will go with Ram.
- (11) \*mohan kon ram ke sath jaega?
  Mohan who Ram with will go
  - \*(Mohan who) will go with Ram?

This is not surprising in view of the fact that emphatic reflexives are functionally identical with their antecedents whereas the true reflexives are not. The emphatic reflexives will not be discussed any further in this paper. Henceforth, the term reflexive in this paper refers to true reflexives only. As <u>xud</u> and <u>sveyem</u> are marginal, all the examples will have forms of ap in them.

### 2.0. Reflexivization Rule.

We will now examine the following set of data to tentatively characterize the process of reflexivization in Hindi-Urdu. The data are drawn from simple and complex sentences of the language. They are consistent with the claims that reflexivization in Hindi-Urdu (a) obeys the clause-mate constraint, (b) supports the cyclic principle of rule-application, and (c) allows forward application only. They are also consistent with principles A and B suggested in Cohen (1973).

Consider the following sentences. 2

- (12) ?maric ne maric ko svernmrig ka rūp diya. Marich ag. Marich obj.m. golden deer of form gave ?Marich transformed Marich into a golden deer.
- (13) ?sīta raste bher sīta ke gehne giratī geī.

  Sita way all Sita of jewelry dropping went

  ?Sita kept dropping Sita's jewelry all the way.
- (13a) Sita raste bher { epne } gehne girati gei.

  Sita way all her jewelry dropping went

  Sita kept dropping her jewelry all the way.
- (14) ?jījī ne bhæya ko bhæya kī thalī me khana diya.
  elder sister ag. elder brother obj.m. elder brother
  of plate in food gave.
  ?Sister gave brother his food in brother's plate.

(14a) jījī ne bhaya ko apnī thalī me khana diya.

sister ag. brother obj.m. his plate in food gave
Sister gave brother (his) food in his plate.

(12-14) exemplify the process of reflexivization in simple sentences. Note that the second occurrence of the coreferential NP is reflexivized in the above sentences provided the antecedent is the subject of the sentence. (14a) is ungrammatical with <code>opni</code>, as the antecedent is not the subject of the sentence.

Next, examine the following complex sentences. We are deliberately confining ourselves at this point to those sentences in which both the main and the subordinate clauses are clearly recognizable:  $^3$ 

- (15) ?indira ne kəha ki indira səb kam kər legi.
  Indira said that Indira all work will get done
  ?Indira said that Indira will get all the work done.
- (15a) indira ne kəha ki { \*ap vəh } səb kam kər legi. 4

  Indira ag. said that she all work will get done
  Indira said that she will get all the work done.
  - (16) ?prəkas ne pucha ki prəkas ka bhai kəb aega.

    Prakash ag. asked that Prakash of brother when will come
    ?Prakash asked when Prakash's brother will come.
- (16a) prəkas ne pucha ki ("əpna uska bhai kəb aega.

  Prakash ag. asked that his brother when will come.

  Prakash asked when his brother will come.
- (17) ?əgər raj aya to raj ko bəhut xusi hogi. if Raj came then Raj to much pleasure will happen ?If Raj came, Raj will be happy.
- (17a) əgər raj aya to \binom{\pi \text{\*pne}}{\text{usko}} \text{ko b\text{\text{o}hut xusi} hogi.} \\
  if Raj came then him much pleasure will happen If Raj came, he would be happy.
- (18) ?j∂b sima aegi t∂b sima ki b∂h∂n bhi aegi.
  when Sima will come, then Sima of sister too will come.
  ?When Sima comes, Sima's sister will come, too.

(18a) jeb sīma aegi teb { depnī uskī } behen bhī aegī.

when Sima will come then her sister too will come
When Sima comes, her sister will come too.

The sentence in (15) and (16) provide evidence that reflexivization does not go down into subordinate clauses, i.e., NP<sub>i</sub> reflexives NP<sub>j</sub> only if the S that immediately dominates NP<sub>i</sub> also dominates NP<sub>j</sub>. (17) and (18), in which the subordinate clause precedes the main clause, confirm that for pronominalization, only the precede-follow relationship is important, i.e., NP<sub>i</sub> pronominalizes NP<sub>j</sub> if NP<sub>i</sub> precedes NP<sub>j</sub>. The ungrammaticality of (19) and (20) below makes it clear that 'command' relationship is not relevant either for reflexivization or for pronominalization in Hindi-Urdu:

- (19) \*jab { pne uske } bhai ne phon kiya tab ram so raha tha.

  when his brother ag. phoned then Ram sleep -ing was

  When his brother called, Ram was asleep.
- (19a) jab ram ke bhai ne phon kiya tab vah so raha tha.

  when Ram of brother ag. phoned, then he sleep -ing was

  When Ram's brother called, he was asleep.
- (20) \*ram tab so raha tha jab apne bhal ne phon kiya.

  Ram then sleep -ing was when self+poss. brother ag. telephoned
- (20a) ram təb so raha tha jəb uske bhai ne phon kiya Ram was asleep when his brother called.
- (21) \*epne-ate hi ram khana khayega
- (21a) ate hī ram khana khayega
  Ram will eat as soon as he comes.

In (19a) and (20a), pronominalization takes place on the basis of 'precede-follow' relationship, reflexivization is blocked because the antecedent and the coreferential NP are not in the same clause. If 'command' relationship were relevant for pronominalization, (19) with uske would have been grammatical and if it were relevant for reflexivization (21) would have been grammatical. The 'command' relationship is relevant only for deletion of a coreferential NP in Hindi-Urdu (Kachru 1973b and 1974).

The following evidence establishes reflexivization as a cyclic rule. The rule that results in infinitival complements (the ka-na

Complementizer Placement rule in Subbarao 1974) and the rule that raises the subject of an embedded sentence to the position of the object of a higher verb (Raising in Subbarao 1974) are both cyclic. This claim can be justified with the following examples:

(22) šyam ram ka vehã jana thík səməjhta hɛ.

Shyam Ram of there to go proper considers

Shyam considers it proper for Ram to go there.

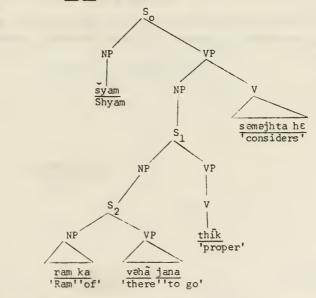
(22a)

(23) mujhe ram ka syam ko murkh semejhna enucit nehi legta.

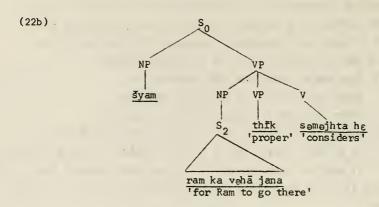
to me Ram of Shyam obj.m. fool to consider improper not seems

It does not seem improper to me that Ram considers Shyam a fool.

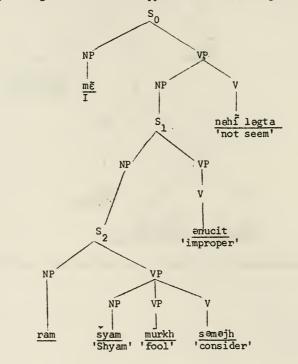
In deriving (22), the ka-na rule applies first, which results in (22a):



Given the configuration in  $S_1$ , Raising applies on the  $S_0$  cycle, resulting in (22b):

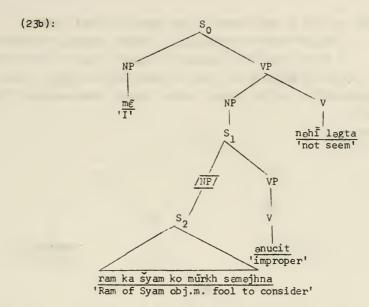


In deriving (23), Raising applies first, then <u>ka-na</u> applies, and then Raising applies again. The first application of Paising results in (23a):

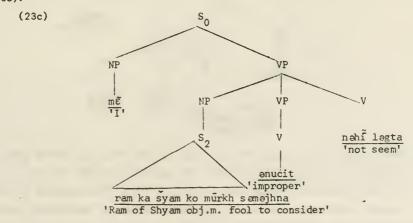


The ka-na rule applies next and results in (23b):

(23a)



On the S  $_{\rm 0}$  cycle, the boxed NP in S  $_{\rm 1}$  undergoes Raising again, yielding (23c):  $^{\rm 7}$ 



Reflexivization interacts with Raising in an interesting way. Consider:

(24) me epni citthiyo ka aj hi bheja jana zeruri semejhta hu.

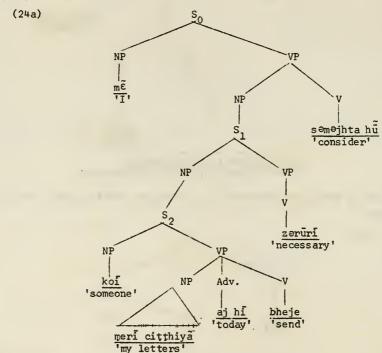
I selves letters of today emph. being sent necessary consider I consider it necessary that my letters be sent today.

(25) mg šyam ka əpnī bəhən ko təng kərna ucit nəhī səməjhta.

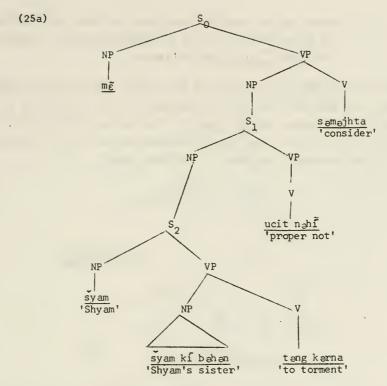
I Shyam of selves sister obj.j. torment proper not consider

I do not consider it proper for Shyam to torment his sister!

(24) is derived by applying the rules of passivization, ka-na, Raising, and Reflexivization in that order, to the 'remote' representation given in (24a):



Passivization of S<sub>2</sub> and subsequent application of <u>ka-na</u> yields [mericithiyo ka aj hi bheja jana] which is dominated by the NP of S<sub>1</sub>. Raising and other rules then yield the sentence in (24). The sentence in (25) results from Reflexivization, <u>ka-na</u> and Raising, in that order, applied to the remote structure given in (25a):



Notice that Reflexivization must apply to S<sub>2</sub>, as the conditions for the application of this rule are fulfilled by the structure of S<sub>2</sub>.

<u>ka-na</u> and Raising follow Reflexivization to derive the sentence in (25).

If Reflexivization were a pre-cyclic rule, it would be impossible to derive the sentence in (24), if it were postcyclic, it would be impossible to derive the sentence in (25). Besides, Reflexivization can both precede and follow Raising which is a cyclic rule. Hence, Reflexivization must be cyclic too.

The ambiguity of sentences such as the following are also neatly accounted for if Reflexivization is assumed to be a cyclic rule:

(26) sita ne radha ko əpni bəhən ke sath khelne ke liye kəha.

Sita ag. Radha obj.m. self+poss. sister with to play asked

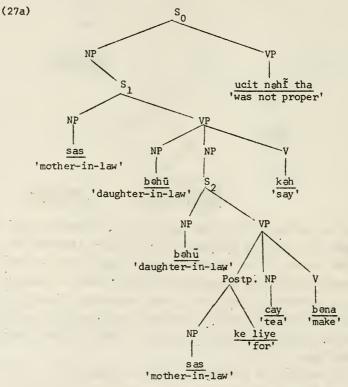
Sita asked Radha to play with her sister.

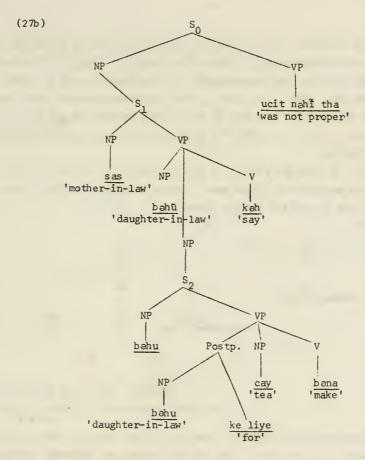
(27) sas ka bəhū se əpne liye cay bənane ko kəhna ucit nəhĩ tha.

The mother-in-law's asking the daughter-in-law to prepare

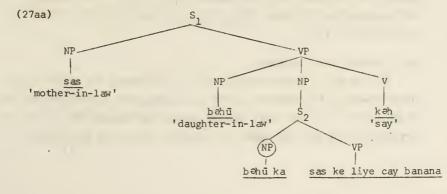
tea for { her herself } was not proper.

Both (26) and (27) are ambiguous in that in (26), either <u>sita</u> or <u>radha</u> may be the antecedent of <u>spni</u> and similarly, in (27), either <u>sas</u> or <u>behū</u> may be the antecedent of <u>spne liye</u>. A detailed discussion of (27) will make the point clear. The 'remote' representations of (27), corresponding to its two meanings, are given in (27a) and (27b):



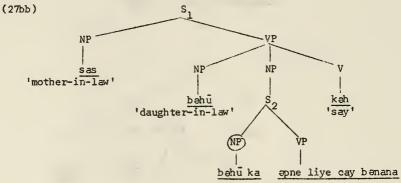


Let us take up (27a) first. On the  $S_2$  cycle, no rules apply. On the  $S_1$  cycle, first <u>ka-na</u> rule applies and the result is:



There is no evidence so far to suggest that the  $S_2$  node is pruned following the complementizer placement. Hence, the identical NP  $\underline{b}$   $\underline{b}$ 

Now let us consider (27b). On the  $S_2$  cycle, the reflexivization rule applies and yields  $S_2$ [behū epne live cay bena] $S_2$ . On the  $S_1$  cycle, the ka-na rule is applied and the result is:



'for daughter-in-law' 'to make tea for herself'

The structure meets the condition for Equi-NP-Del. and with the deletion of the identical NP and Comp., the circled NP-node is deleted. Subsequently, the  $\rm S_2$  node meets the conditions for S pruning and is deleted. On the  $\rm S_0$  cycle, the Complementizer rule applies again, and (27) is obtained. The <u>ko</u> following the phrase <u>X-ke live cay benama</u> is inserted by a late rule (Subbarao 1974).

#### 3.0. Further Data Examined

Now, we will consider the data that contradicts the claims that reflexivization in Hindi-Urdu meets the clause-mate constraint and that it is cyclic. We will first discuss cases that violate the clause-mate constraint, and then the cases that violate the cyclic principle.

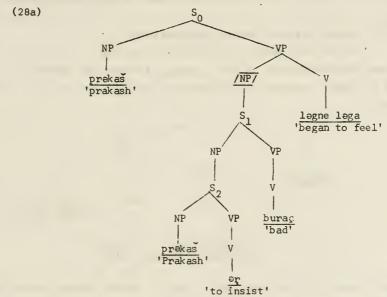
### 3.1. Violation of Clause-Mate Constraint

(28) prekaš ko epna erna bura legne lega.

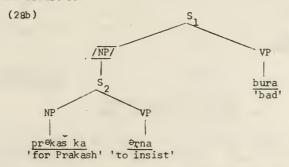
Prakash to selves' to insist bad began to feel

Prakash began to feel uncomfortable about his insisting (upon something).

The remote representation of 28 is as follows:



On  $S_2$  cycle, no rules apply. On the  $S_1$  cycle, the <u>ka-na</u> rule applies and the result is:



Notice that there is no basis for assuming that the node So is pruned at

this stage. The predicate  $\underline{l}_{\underline{e}\underline{g}}$  governs both  $\underline{k}_{\underline{i}}$ -complementizer and Raising. If the former applies on the  $S_0$  cycle, then Extraposition must apply, and the result is a different sentence:

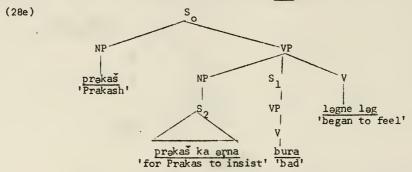
(28c) ?prekas ko legne lega ki prekas ka erna bura hg.

Prakash felt that for Prakash to insist was bad.

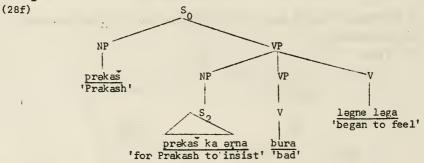
which meets the condition for pronominalization and after pronominalization we get:

(28d) prekaš ko legne lega ki uska erna bura hæ.
Prakash felt that for him to insist was båd.

If, however, Raising applies on the  $S_0$  cycle, it raises the entire boxed NP in (28b), and makes it the complement of leg. The result is (28e):



The node  $S_1$  meets the conditions for S-pruning. After pruning, we get (28f):



Notice that (28f) must undergo reflexivization, although the NP of VP in  ${\bf S}_0$  still dominates the  ${\bf S}_2$  node. Sentences such as (28) thus cast grave doubts upon the claim that reflexivization in Hindi-Urdu meets the clause-mate constraint.

### 3.11. Some Alternatives Considered

It may be suggested that either the tree-pruning convention, or the Reflexivization rule be revised in some way so that sentences such as (28) are accounted for in the grammar of Hindi-Urdu. Let us first consider the tree-pruning convention. It may be stipulated that following the ka-na rule, the S-node dominating the ka-na complement is pruned. Unfortunately, this would lead to the following consequences. The rule of Equi will have to be revised so that it generates (29) but does not generate (29a):

- (29) ram vahã jana cahta hæ.

  Ram there to go wants

  Ram wants to go there.
- (29a) \*ram epna vehã jana cahta hɛ.

  Ram self's there to go wants

  \*Ram wants for himself to go there.

Also, some ad-hoc restrictions will have to be placed on the rule of Reflexivization to ensure that in (30), only <u>serita</u> and <u>opna</u> are interpreted as coreferential:

- (30) ram serita ke epne ko galî dene se kyō perešan hota hɛ?

  Ram Sarita of self to abuse give by why upset becomes

  Why is Ram upset by (the fact) that Sarita curses herself?

  Notice that the pruning of S-node following ka-na Complementizer Placement predicts (30) to be potentially ambiguous, which is incorrect. It may then be suggested that the clause-mate constraint be abandoned for reflexivization in Hindi-Urdu. This would then result in the grammar generating such ill-formed sentences as (31) and (32):
  - (31) \*sīta ne keha ki epne ko bhūkh legī he.
    \*Sita said that herself is hungry.
  - (32) \*raj yəh xəbər sun kər ki əpna bhai kəl aega xus ho gəya.

    \*Raj became happy to hear the news that selves' brother will arrive tomorrow.

An ad-hoc condition may be added, specifying that the S node dominating the <u>ka-na</u> complement is to be ignored for the purposes of reflexivization. But this is too general, as demonstrated above, and not general enough, as is shown below.

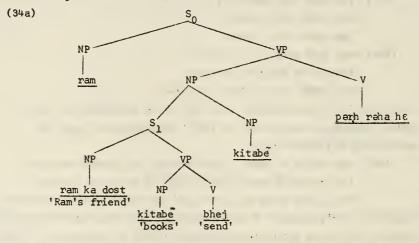
The phenomenon discussed above, i.e., reflexivization operating on the coreferential NP in an embedded sentence, is not confined to  $\underline{ka-na}$  complements only. Consider the following sentences:

- (33) use əpnī bəhən kī likhī huī kəvitaĕ pəsənd nəhī hε. to him selves sister of written poems likeable not are He doesn't like the poems written by his sister.
- (34) Ram apne dost ki bheji hui kitabe parh reha he.

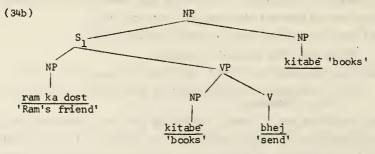
  Ram selves friend of sent books read ing is

  Ram is reading the books sent by his friend.

The 'remote' representation of (34) is as follows:

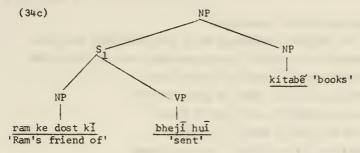


The sub-configuration (34b) meets the condition for relative clause construction:



There is a rule in Hindi-Urdu which derives participial phrases from sentences such as  $S_1$  which then modify head NPs which are coreferential

with their objects (Kachru 1965 and 1966, Verma 1971). The application of this rule, and subsequent deletion of the commanded NP coreferential with the head NP results in (34c):



Notice that the  $\rm S_1$  node in (34c) is not a candidate for pruning, and yet, under coreferentiality with the NP of  $\rm S_0$ , the possessive in the NP of  $\rm S_1$  must reflexivize.

The ka-na complement and the participialized modifier share certain characteristics. Subbarao (1974) demonstrates that the ka-na complement does not behave like a full clause with respect to some rules. The participialized modifier also does not behave like a full clause, it behaves like an adjective phrase (hereafter AP) in that it must precede the head NP it modifies, whereas a full relative clause has more freedom of occurrence in a sentence (Kachru 1973b and 1974). Notice that the rules that yield ka-na complements and participial modifiers in some sense 'demote' the clauses they operate upon, that is, after the application of these rules, the clauses are no longer full clauses, they behave more like phrases. As such -- although, technically speaking, S-pruning is not possible -- for the purposes of rules such as Extraposition and Raising, the ka-na complements and the participial modifiers are NPs and APs respectively. Following Raising, which treats the ka-na complement as a NP, Reflexivization may go down into the ka-na complement in Hindi-Urdu.

## 3.1.2. A General Principle Suggested

To account for the date discussed above, then, it is clear that a condition such as (35) must be incorporated into the grammar of Hindi-Urdu:

(35) In case the subordinate clause in which the coreferential NP occurs has undergone a rule that has the effect of 'demoting' it, the coreferential NP is to be considered a clause-mate of the controlling NP.11

This means that the derivational history must be made available for the purposes of proper application of the reflexivization rule in Hindi-Urdu.

### 3.2. Reflexivization Rule Reexamined

Consider the following sentences which also challenge the claim that reflexivization is a cyclic transformational rule in Hindi-Urdu:

- (36) ?radha ne sīta ko radha kī təsvīr dikhaī.
  Radha ag. Sita to Radha of picture showed.
  ?Radha showed Sita a picture of Radha.
- (36a) radha ne sīta ko əpnī təsvīr dikhaī.

  Radha ag. Sita to selves' picture showed

  Radha showed Sita a picture of herself.
- (37) ?radha ne sīta ko sīta kī təsvīr dikhaī.

  Radha ag. Sita to Sita of picture showed

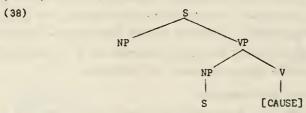
  ?Radha showed Sita a picture of Sita.
- (37a) \*radha ne sīta ko əpnī təsvīr dikhaī.

  Radha ag. to Sita to selves' picture showed
  \*Radha showed Sita a picture of herself.
- (37b) radha ne sita ko uski təsvir dikhai.

  Radha ag. Sita to her picture showed

  Radha showed Sita a picture of her.

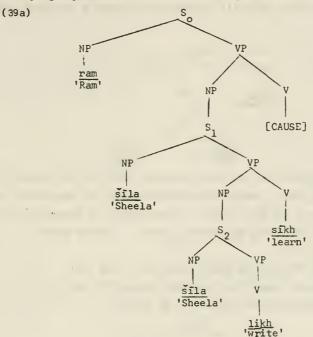
It has been claimed that sentences such as (36a) and (37b) are complex, in particular, they result from a rule of Causativization (or predicate raising) from underlying representations such as the following (Kachru 1973a, 1974, Kleiman 1971):



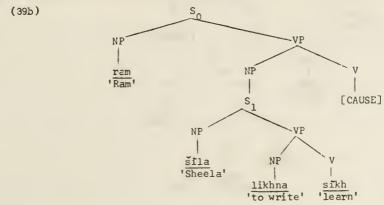
Let us consider whether the causative rule is a cyclic rule. The evidence is indirect in that it is not possible to show the causative rule interacting with any cyclic rule directly. Consider the following sentences:

(39) ram ne štla ko likhna sikhaya. Ram ag. Sheela obj.m. write taught

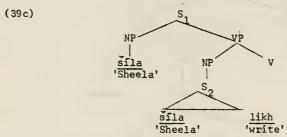
The underlying representation of (39) is as given in (39a):



In order to derive (39) from (39a) we have to assume that the  $\underline{\text{ka-na}}$  and the Equi-NP-Del. rules apply on the  $S_1$  cycle, subsequently the  $S_2$  node is pruned and the result is (39b):



Now the causativization rule (predicate raising) applies and finally we get (39). In case we assume that causativization (predicate raising) is pre-cyclic, notice that sikh will be moved up, leaving a structure such as (39c):



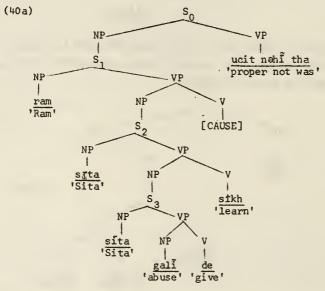
Since <u>ka-na</u> and Equi-NP-Del. are both governed rules and are governed by the predicate  $\underline{sikh}$  in S<sub>1</sub>, predicate raising destroys the conditions for the application of <u>ka-na</u> and Equi-NP-Del. Consequently, no grammatical sentences result from (39a) under this hypothesis, which is clearly wrong.

Now consider (40):

(40) ram ka sita ko gali dena sikhana ucit nəhī tha.

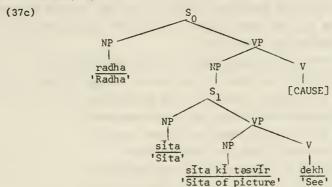
For Ram to teach Sita to abuse (someone) was not proper.

The underlying representation of (40) is as follows:

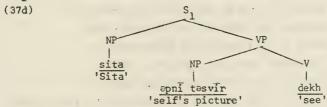


Notice that first, the <u>ka-na</u> and Equi-NP-Del. rules apply on the  $S_2$  cycle, then the Causativization rule (predicate raising) applies on the  $S_1$  cycle and then the <u>ka-na</u> rule applies on the  $S_0$  cycle to yield (40). Thus the Causativization rule is neither a last cyclic nor a post-cyclic rule.

If both the Causativization and Reflexivization rules are cyclic, (37a) should be grammatical in the sense of (37). Consider the following structure underlying (37):



On the S<sub>1</sub> cycle, the reflexivization rule applies yielding:



Now the Causativization rule applies, yielding (37a) which is ungrammatical in the sense of (37). The grammatical (37b) can be derived if the causativization rule applies first and the reflexivization rule applies to the output of the predicate raising rule. But, Reflexivization is a cyclic rule, and its application cannot be blocked on S<sub>1</sub> cycle in (37c). The causative sentences thus pose a serious problem for the account of reflexivization in Hindi-Urdu.

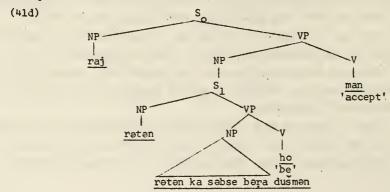
It may be suggested that reflexivization in Hindi-Urdu may be a post-cyclic or last cyclic rule. Sentences such as (39) and (40) strongly refute this hypothesis. Note that the cyclic rule of Equi-NP-Deletion

destroys the conditions for reflexivization in (27b) and thus it is impossible to get sentence (27) in its second reading under this hypothesis.

### 3.2. Interaction with Raising

Again, this phenomenon, i.e., blocking of reflexivization in an embedded S in case the structural description of the matrix sentence meets the conditions for predicate raising, is not an isolated phenomenon. The same applies to cases where subject raising (Raising in Subbarao 1974) operates. 12 Consider the following:

- (41) ?raj manta hε ki reten reten ka sebse bera dusmen hε.
  ?Raj accepts that Ratan is the greatest enemy of Ratan.
- (41a) raj manta hε ki rətən əpna səbse bəra dusmən hε.
  Raj accepts that Ratan, is his greatest enemy.
- (41b) "raj reten ko epna sebse bera dusmen manta h $\epsilon$ . Raj considers Ratan his greatest enemy
- (41c) raj reten ko uska sebese bera dusmen manta hE.
- (42) ?raj manta hε ki reten raj ka sebse bera dusmon hε.
  ?Raj accepts that Ratan is Raj's greatest enemy.
- (42a) raj manta hε ki rətən uska səbse bəra dusman hε.
  Raj accepts that Ratan is his greatest enemy.
- (42b) raj rətən ko əpna səbse bəra dusmən manta h $\epsilon$ . Raj $_i$  considers Ratan his $_i$  greatest enemy.
- (42c) \*raj rətən ko uska səbse bəra dusmən manta h $\epsilon$ . The ungrammaticality of (41b) and the grammaticality of (41c) raises the same problem. The source for (41) is as follows:



Since reflexivization is a cyclic rule, it must apply on the  $\rm S_1$  cycle, but then the result is ungrammatical (41b). The application of Reflexivization must be blocked in (41d) until after Raising.

## 3.2.2. Another General Principle Suggested

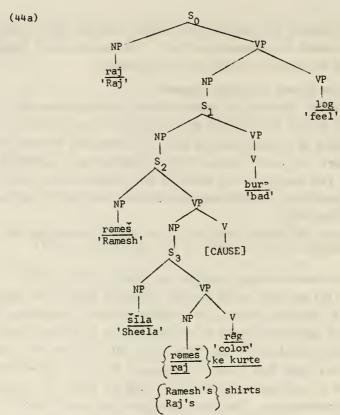
Again, notice that what is common to both Causativization and Raising rules is that both destroy the structures of the clauses to which they apply as a consequence of which the controller NP ceases to be the subject. In order to account for reflexivization in sentences which result from application of predicate and subject-raising rules then, it is necessary to incorporate a constraint such as (43) in the grammar of Hindi-Urdu:

- (43) Block the Reflexivization rule in case the controller NP ceases to be the subject in the next higher cycle.<sup>13</sup>
- 4.0. We have presented above arguments in support of two general principles, (35) and (43), which have the effect of respectively allowing or disallowing reflexivization in well-defined linguistic contexts. How precisely such principles are to be stated is quite a different question. Note that these principles do not refer to one rule, they refer to classes of rules, i.e., rules that change the status of the clause by demoting it to the status of a phrase, or rules that change the status of a subject to that of a non-subject. That these principles are correct can be demonstrated by considering whether they make correct predictions regarding complex sentences which result from the interaction of the types of rules mentioned above. Consider the following:
- (44) raj ko remeš ka šīla se əpne kurte rēgvana bura ləga.

  Raj to Ramesh of Sheela by selves' shirts to get dyed bad felt

  Raj didn't like Ramesh getting his shirts dyed by Sheela.

  Principles (35) and (43) predict that in (44) the possessive reflexive
  refers either to Raj or to Ramesh, but not to Sheela. In fact, that
  is correct. The underlying representation of (44) is as follows:



Notice that  $S_3$  could very well be  $S_3[\tilde{s}fla\ \tilde{s}\tilde{s}la\ ke\ kurte\ reg]S_3$ , but then the surface shape of the sentence will be as in (45):

(45) raj ko remeš ka šîla se uske kurte rēgvana bura lega. Given (44a), according to (35), the application of the Causativization (predicate raising) rule on the  $\rm S_2$  cycle makes it possible to claim that remeš is the antecedent of the possessive reflexive in (44). Subsequently, the application of Raising on the  $\rm S_0$  cycle makes it possible to claim that raj is the antecedent of the possessive reflexive in (44). If  $\rm S_3$  in (44a) were  $\rm S_3$ [šīla šīla ke kurte rēg] $\rm S_3$ , (43) would have blocked the application of Reflexivization, on the  $\rm S_2$  cycle both Causativization and Pronominalization would have applied and the result would have been as in (45). Thus, the principles we have suggested correctly account for all

the data discussed in this paper without complicating the Reflexivization or any other rule of Hindi-Urdu grammar. Incorporation of these constraints (35 and 43) in a grammar of Hindi-Urdu makes it possible to characterize the Reflexivization rule in the language in terms of optimal generality, i.e., as a cyclic rule subject to the clause-mate constraint.

- 4.1. In this section, we will consider the claim that all conveniently cyclic rules, such as Reflexivization, may be reformulated as postcyclic global rules to constrain the notions of cyclic and global rules (Johnson 1974). The data discussed in this paper concerns the kind of globablity that is involved in rule-interaction. A post-cyclic global rule of Reflexivization for Hindi-Urdu may be formulated as follows:
  - (46) NP, reflexivizes NP, if NP, and NP, are stipulated coreferents in the underlying representation, and

- I. (i) NP, precedes NP, and
   (ii) NP, and NP, command each other and
   (iii) NP, does not cease to be the subject in the next higher cycle;

II. (i) NP. commands NP, but NP, does not command NP, and
(ii) NP; = NP of S that has become more noun-like or or adjective-like.

Note that in 46, condition I(iii) states the same facts as the proposed constraint (43) and condition II(ii) states the same facts on the proposed constraint (35). Both the formulations seem to capture the significant generalizations. It would be interesting to examine in detail what implications these alternative formulations have for linguistic universals. The first formulation, i.e., in terms of a cyclic rule plus two independent constraints, allows for the following claim: if reflexivization is a universal (or near-universal) process, then it is the cyclic rule of Reflexivization which captures the universality of the process. Constraints such as (35) and (43) belong to a language-specific constraint box (Ross 1967) particular to Hindi-Urdu, i.e. they are specific to Hindi-Urdu grammar just as the ordering of Passive before Reflexivization is specific to English grammar. The alterantive formulation in terms of a post-cyclic rule does not allow for such a claim. Besides, the first formulation allows for certain hypothetical dialect variations which are harder to state in terms of the second formulation. As we have not investigated the dialect variations alluded to here, we are leaving the question of

selecting between the two alternatives open at this stage.

4.2. Certain other interesting questions arise from our discussion. Constraint (35) requires the rule of Reflexivization to look back to the derivational history in order to operate to produce a desired output. Constraint (43) is global in a way, which, to our knowledge, has not been discussed in literature so far. (43) makes the claim that a global principle (rule or constraint) is also capable of looking at a later stage of derivation, at least at the next higher cycle. This is crucial in order to account for sentences which result from the interaction of Reflexivization with the rules of Causativization and Raising. If Reflexivization in Hindi-Urdu is reformulated as a post-cyclic rule, as in (46), then, of course, there is no need to claim that global constraints/ rules are capable of looking forward to later stages of derivation. There, however, remain questions such as the following: Is it necessary to constrain global rules to look only backwards, i.e., to the history of a derivation? Given a choice between a formulation in terms of a cyclic rule plus two global constraints, such as (35) and (43), and an alternative formulation of a post-cyclic global rule, such as (46), which is to be selected and on what basis? The answers to these questions have important implications for an explanatorily adequate linguistic theory.14

#### NOTES

As Hindi and Urdu share a basic grammar in spite of marked lexical differences in certain registers, we feel that it is appropriate to hyphenate the two and treat Hindi-Urdu as one language for the purposes of this study.

Throughout this discussion, we have based our observations on the NP-complement structures in Hindi-Urdu on the account of this phenomenon given in Subbarao 1974, with one exception. This does not mean that we consider all the findings of this work beyond controversy. Rules such as ka-na complementizer placement are open to the same objections as the ones raised with regard to the for-to complementizer in English (Rosenbaum 1967). It is our belief, nevertheless, that subsequent revisions of these rules will have no major effect on our discussion of relfexivization in Hindi-Urdu.

The one exception mentioned above is this: we have not adopted the view that NP-complement structures necessarily have an underlying representation as in (i):

(i) NP

<sup>2</sup>The conventions regarding the use of ? and \* in the following Hindi-Urdu sentences is as follows: ? identifies an intermediate string which has yet to undergo at least the rules of pronominalization and/or deletion, whereas \* marks a sentence as ungrammatical in the intended sense.

<sup>3</sup>That is, sentences in which the structure of the embedded clause has not been destroyed by a transformational rule such as Raising.

<sup>4</sup>This sentence is ungrammatical in the intended sense only. There is another sentence, which is identical to this on the surface, in which the item <u>ap</u> is an emphatic reflexive.

SLangacker 1969 defines the primacy relations, 'command' and 'precede'. Kachru 1973b claims that only the 'precede' relation is relevant for pronominalization in Hindi-Urdu. The data discussed here supports this claim.

<sup>6</sup>Raising has been discussed in detail in Subbarao 1974. Raising in Hindi-Urdu is similar to B-Raising in English.

The rule that assigns the dative postposition <u>ko</u> to the logical subject of verbs such as <u>log</u> is not discussed here. Sentences in Hindi-Urdu with a surface dative subject have been discussed in Kachru 1970.

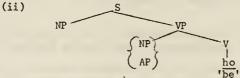
8(25) is in fact ambiguous. It is, however, relevant for our discussion only in the sense which is brought out by the English translation.

The behavior of <u>ka-na</u> complements with respect to several rules has been discussed in <u>detail</u> in Subbarao 1974. Briefly, it has been shown that the <u>ki-complement</u> (clausal complement) and the <u>ka-na</u> complement behave differently in relation to particular transformations such as Extraposition, Equi-Np Deletion, Passive and Reflexivization. The <u>ki-complement</u> behaves as a clause with respect to Extraposition, Equi-NP Deletion and Reflexivization, the <u>ka-na</u> complement behaves as a clause with respect to Equi-NP Deletion and most cases of Reflexivization and as a NP with respect to Extraposition and the cases of Reflexivization under discussion in this study. The evidence from Passive is unclear in case of <u>ki-complements</u>, the <u>ka-na</u> complements, however, behave as NP's with respect to Passive.

10 Ross 1972 demonstrates that with respect to several rules of English grammar, the poss -ing complement is more norm-like as compared with the for-to or the that-complement.

11 The chain of argument behind this formulation is as follows: the ka-na complement, similar to the poss-ing complement of English, is more noun-like. Application of Raising in the next higher cycle 'confirms' its status as a NP even more strongly. Naturally, following these operations, the coreferential NP in a ka-na complement is treated as a clause-mate of the controller NP in a higher clause.

12 In the variety of Standard Hindi-Urdu that we (the authors) speak, such interaction of Reflexivization and Raising is restricted to only those cases where the embedded sentence is of the following structure:



That is, the embedded sentence is a copula verb sentence with either a predicate nominal or an adjectival complement. Note that Raising is governed by the predicate of the matrix sentence and there are no restrictions on the shape of the embedded sentence. Nevertheless, if the embedded sentence is not of the structure as in (ii), the interaction we are discussing does not take place. The following sentence, for instance, is ambiguous for us:

(iii) rani ne syam ko əpne bhai ke sath jate dekha. Rani; saw Shyam; going with her; his; brother.

There are, however, speakers of Hindi-Urdu for whom the reflexive pronominal form in (iii) is only coreferential with the subject nominal rani. In this variety, the interaction we are discussing takes place in all cases of Raising. We are not sure at present if the two varieties are to be characterized as regional in nature, i.e., Western vs. non-Western Hindi-Urdu. Note that even for the latter, sentences such as (26) and (27) are ambiguous. The account of reflexivization given in this study thus is valid for all varieties of Hindi-Urdu.

The proposed constraint (43) would be even more convincing if we could present evidence of the following nature. Note that (43) blocks Reflexivization in case the subject ceases to be the subject in the next higher cycle. The reverse of this will be a case in which a new subject is created by a rule, and then this new subject controls Reflexivization. Two rules with this potential in English and other languages are Passive and A-raising. Unfortunately, in Hindi-Urdu, there is no clear evidence for A-raising, and Passive does not seem to create a new subject. A long digression will be needed to justify these statements, hence, we will not attempt to justify them here.

 $^{13}$ The formulation above is too general for the variety of Hindi-Urdu spoken by the authors, but accounts for the facts of the other variety satisfactorily (see note 11 above).

14The account of reflexivization in Hindi-Urdu presented here is not claimed to be exhaustive. There are several aspects of the phenomenon which have yet to be worked out. Some of these have been mentioned in f.n. 12.

work on these, and one other aspect, is in progress at this point (Kachru 1975). In derivations involving <u>ka-na</u> complements and Raising, the rules of Equi and Reflexivization are in complementary distribution. Given (iv), both (v) and (vi) are grammatical outputs:

(iv) ?prekas ne prekas ka vehā jana ucit nehī semjha.

Prakash ag. Prakash of there to go proper not considered.

(v) prekaš ne vehã jana ucit nehĩ semjha. Prakash ag. there to go proper not considered. Prakash didn't consider it proper to go there.

(vi) prekas ne epna vehã jana ucit nehí semiha. Prakash ag. self's there to go proper not considered \*Prakash didn't consider it proper for himself to go there.

(v) results from Equi, (vi) from Reflexivization. Note that in Hindi-Urdu, both Equi and Reflexivization are strict complex ID rules (Heath 1975). Kachru 1975 attempts to provide a functional explanation of the complementarity of these two rules.

The reflexive pronominal forms ap and opna, in some of their uses, indicate coreferentiality with an antecedent some way back in the discourse, especially if the discourse involved is a narrative with a first person narrator. We have not discussed such uses of ap and opna in this study.

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# TOWARD STRUCTURING THE FORM AND FUNCTION OF CODE-MIXING: AN INDIAN PERSPECTIVE

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O. INTRODUCTION. The formal and pragmatic aspects of language dependency in linguistically pluralistic societies have yet to be seriously studied by linguists. The term 'language dependency' presupposes that there is a hierarchy of languages and that each language is assigned a functional role (or roles) in a multilingual person's restricted or extended spheres of linguistic interaction.

The multilinguistic context of India provides a unique case of language dependency, which has several aspects, e.g., educational, political sociological, psychological and linguistic.

In South Asia language dependency has resulted in linguistic convergence of primarily two types. The first type may be termed convergence within the 'inner' language circle; that is, within the South Asian languages. The second type may be termed the 'outer' linguistic imposition. That means dependency on those languages which are outside the South Asian language periphery. Convergence within the 'inner' language circle has resulted mainly in two processes, viz., the Aryanization of the Dravidian languages (e.g. Sridhar 1975) and the Dravidization of the Indo-Aryan languages (e.g. Gumperz 1971). The extent and scope of such Sanskritization and Dravidization has already been discussed in the literature at various linguistic levels (see e.g., Emeneau and Burrow 1962; Gumperz and Wilson 1971; Sridhar 1975).

Convergence from the 'outer' circle involves several non-South Asian languages; however, the main manifestation of this type of convergence is seen in the Persianization and also in the Englishization (Anglicization) of the languages of the 'inner' circle (B. Kachru 1975b). An aspect of convergence with one language, English, of the 'outer' circle forms the basis of this study.

1.0. TWO ASPECTS OF LANGUAGE DEPENDENCY: "CODE-SWITCHING" AND "CODE-MIXING". In a speech community, language dependency is shown in two ways, among others. First, a multilingual assigns areas of function to each

language which he uses to perform various roles. One might say that, by and large, the <u>contextual units</u> (B. Kachru 1965) in which each language functions are mutually exclusive, or dependent on the participants in a linguistically relevant situation. Second, language dependency might result in developing new, mixed codes of communication.<sup>3</sup>

A good example of the first type of dependency results in what is termed 'code-switching' (Gumperz 1964), In the literature this term has been used to denote the functional contexts in which a multilingual person makes alternate use of two or more languages. However, I am not concerned with that particular phenomenon of language dependency here.

The linguistic situation which I shall present here may be seen as an outcome of both language contact and code-switching. In other words, I am concerned with the formal manifestation of the functional uses of several languages by a multilingual person. I shall use the term 'codemixing' for this aspect of multilingualism (B. Kachru 1975a and 1975b).

The term 'code-mixing' refers to the use of one or more languages for consistent transfer of linguistic units from one language into another, and by such a language mixture developing a new restricted -- or not so restricted -- code of linguistic interaction. Such 'mixed' codes have developed in several language areas in South Asia. One such very common code has been termed 'Hinglish'. Some Persianized varieties of South Asian languages may also be considered mixed codes in the same sense (B. Kachru 1975b). The transfer of units of one language into another language is conditioned by several linguistic, pragmatic and attitudinal considerations. I shall return to this point later.

The implications of code-mixing are sociolinguistically very important. In addition, this linguistic phenomenon also has implications for language dynamics and language change (see section 6.0).

2.0. TOWARD STRUCTURING CODE-MIXING. In the current literature, the discussion of code-mixing in South Asian languages is generally restricted to presenting various attitudinal positions on using the device of code-mixing in these languages (e.g., Raghuvira 1973). There are thus the arguments of the 'purists' and the 'non-purists' in favor of their respective positions concerning Suddh Hindi (High Hindi), Hindustani, or Englishized or Persianized Hindi. The phenomenon of code-mixing has

yet to be viewed in a theoretical framework which would relate the formal and functional aspects of such 'language-mixing' and view it in a pragmatic perspective in terms of the linguistic needs of the speech community which uses this language device for various types of interaction within the speech community and also outside it.

In Firth (1957a and 1957b; see also fn. 3), and later in somewhat modified form in Mitchell (1957), Halliday (1958), Ellis (1966) and Kachru (1966) a schema has been presented toward delimiting texts with reference to their contextually relevant categories and formal categories. Firth has suggested the following categories for the context of situation of a text.

- A. The relevant features of participants: persons, personalities.
  - (i) Verbal actions of participants.
  - (ii) Non-verbal actions of participants.
- B. The relevant objects.
- C. The effect of the verbal action.

# Other features to be considered are:

- A. Economic, religious, social structures to which participants belong
- B. Types of discourse: monologue, narrative.
- C. Personal interchange: age of participants.
- D. Types of speech -- social flattery, cursing, etc.

Firth would also add <u>creative effect</u> or <u>effective result</u> as a link with the context of situation in order to observe the movements of participants and events, and possibly additional features in an extended context of situation.

One might ask how this schema can be applied to the situation of code-mixing in South Asia, which is our primary concern. Code-mixing is a role-dependent and function-dependent linguistic phenomenon. In terms of role, one has to ask who is using the language and in terms of function, one has to ask what is to be accomplished by the speech act. In terms of role, then, the religious, social, economic and regional characteristics of the participant in a speech act are crucial. On the other hand, in terms of function, the specialized uses to which the given language is being put determines the code-mixing. In a sense, then, in several linguistically relevant situations there is a mutual expectancy

between the formal characteristics of the language (in this case, a code-mixed language) and its function.

2.1. Code-mixing and the context of situation: I shall attempt to discuss the phenomenon of code-mixing in the theoretical framework of the 'context of situation' originally presented by Malinowski (1935) and modified in linguistic terms by Firth (1957a and 1957b). I feel encouraged to do so now since only a decade ago (see Langendoen 1968, especially Sections 2 & 3) what were considered the linguistic 'sins' of Firth seem to have become the cardinal points of our current linguistic paradigm. It may, therefore, be in order to take another look at the Firthian concept of the context of situation with special reference to the phenomenon of code-mixing.

The concept, context of situation, provides a framework for relating language <u>use</u> and linguistic <u>form</u> to the 'immediate' linguistically relevant situation and also to the 'wider' context of culture. Elucidating the concept, Firth writes (1957b:175-76),

The context of situation...is not merely a setting, background or 'backdrop' for the 'words'. The text in the focus of attention on renewal of connection with an instance is regarded as an integral part of the context, and is observed in relation to the other parts regarded as relevant in the statement of the context.

It seems to me that in order to provide linguistically and contextually adequate explanations for code-mixed language-types it would be appropriate to relate such language-types to what I have earlier termed 'contextual units' (B. Kachru 1965).

By a contextual unit, we mean those features of a text which contribute to its being assigned to a particular function. These features may, for convenience, be termed the contextual parameters of a text. These would comprise those linguistically relevant clues, such as the participants, their sex, their position on the social, caste or religious hierarchy. In a stracting these categories we must concentrate only on those clues which are linguistically justifiable. We might then view a speech act in terms of clear end-points which have, on the one hand, a time-dimension, and on the other hand, relevance with reference to the role-relationships obtaining among the participants engaged in the speech act. Let me give two illustrations to make this point clearer:

The speech function of greetings or blessings have well-defined beginnings and ends. In addition, greetings and blessings also provide clues about the people involved in the exchange of such speech functions. One might claim that, to a large extent, such speech functions are both language-bound and culture-bound. On the other hand, the concept of register, to a large extent, is language-free and culture-free, and the participants are primarily bound together by language use -- for example, those who use the register of law or aviation engineering. Note that code-mixing seems to identify not only the use of the language but also the user, since it involves both an attitudinal reaction toward a language-mixer and also the registral use of language.

The appropriateness of a code-mixed language type to a specific situation may be judged by contextual-substitution and textual substitution.

In certain contextual units, a multilingual person has the possibility of a choice between code-mixed (say Hindi and English or Persian) or non-code-mixed languages. In such situations, the selection of a particular 'code' is determined by the attitude of a person toward a language (or toward a certain type of code-mixing), or the prestige which a language (or a type of code-mixing) has in a speech community.

2.2. Code-mixing and formal cohesion: There are several questions which one might ask about the formal characteristics of code-mixing. The first question is: What is the distinction between 'borrowing' and code-mixing? The second question is: What are the criteria for considering code-mixing functionally crucial for a speech community? In other words, how does one judge the functional and formal appropriateness of code-mixing as an additional communicative device in various speech communities?

Code-mixed language types can easily be considered as examples of extended borrowing not restricted to the lexical level of a language. Borrowing is the initial step toward code-mixing. It is, however, not the only criteria. In the case of several South Asian languages, for example, Dutch, Portuguese, and French borrowing has not resulted in any serious code-mixing. On the other hand, borrowing from English and Persian has resulted in cultivation of special language types (see Bahri 1960 and B. Kachru 1975b).

Formal appropriateness in code-mixing may be judged by using the concept of formal cohesion. The formal cohesive characteristics -- lexical or grammatical -- may be abstracted from code-mixed discourse types, register types or speech functions (B. Kachru 1966:268-69). There is, therefore, a linguistic expectancy and dependency between the formal characteristics and the functional characteristics of such (code-mixed) language types. In other words, a particular type of lexical and grammatical cohesion is associated with a specific type of discourse or register as a speech-function.

3.0. FORMAL MANIFESTATIONS OF CODE-MIXING. In linguistic terms codemixing involves functioning, at least, in a disystem, and as a consequence, developing another linguistic code comprising formal features of two or more codes. A linguistic code developed in this manner then developes a formal cohesion and functional expectancy. In such a situation one language functions as an absorbing language since the 'mixed' items are generally assimilated into its system. One might then say that the function of code-mixed languages is between what is termed 'diglossia' (Ferguson 1959) and code-switching. In a diglossia situation there is a situationally-determined use of two codes, and the codes involved are functionally mutually exclusive. Explaining this phenomenon, Ferguson says that in such a situation,

. . . two varieties of language exist side by side throughout the community, with each having a definite role to play. (1959:429).

In code-switching, on the other hand, the functional domains of the languages involved are determined by linguistically pluralistic situations, say, for example, the Punjabi-Hindi code-switching in Hariana or in the Punjab; or the Telugu-Dakhini code-switching in Hyderabad.

In a given multilingual situation, it is difficult to say that a person will code-mix in only one or two acquired languages. The tendency is to code-mix in all the languages in which a person code-switches with proficiency. Consider, for example, the case of Punjabi and Hindi code-switching. In these languages, code-mixing is not restricted to these two only, but involves English and Persian as well.

- 3.1. Process of mixing: I shall discuss below the various linguistic units and processes which are involved in code-mixing. The illustrations of code-mixing provided below are primarily from Hindi and English.
- (a) <u>Unit Insertion</u>: This refers to the introduction of a grammatical unit above a word in a sentence (e.g., a noun phrase or a verb phrase) from another language.  $^5$

NP Insertion

- 1. tenk va redar prāpt karne kī bhī yōjnā (NBT, 8.3.75) tank and radar procure do of also scheme
- prezidant haus mē, protokol hai magar vājib sā (<u>D</u>, 26.3.72)
   president house in protocol is but desirable like

VP Insertion

- vipaksh dvārā vāk aut (<u>NBT</u>, 7.3.75) opposition by walk out
- (b) Unit Hybridization: This refers to the use of code-mixing within a unit, say, for example, a noun phrase, a verb phrase or a compound verb. Consider, for example:
  - 4. isliye cans lene ke sivā hamāre pās kōī upāy nahĩ thā (D, 17.6 therefore chance take except our near any alternative not was
  - 5. sarkas aur numāyiš yahā phēl hai (<u>D</u>, 17.6.73) circus and exhibition here fail are
  - 6. tisrē din kuch zarūrī drāpht tayp karvāne the (SH, 13.6.71) third day some important draft type do (caus.) were

- (c) <u>Sentence Insertion</u>: By sentence insertion is meant inserting a sentence of one language into another language. The following examples include sentences of English inserted into Hindi.
  - 7. purānī hai tō kyā huā, phain to hai old is so what happened fine however is

    But I do not like Rajesh Khanna. (D, 27.4.73)
  - 8. paṛhne mẽ simā kỉ bahut ruči hai vah kahti hai study in Sima of much interest is she says
    Education is necessary for life. (D, 29.4.73)
  - 9. yəh ek nāzuk māmlā haǐ,
    this one delicate matter is
    Let's not talk on [sic] it. (D, 17.6.73)
- (d) Idiom and Collocation Insertion: The idioms and collocations of English have generally a higher frequency of occurrence in code-mixed Indian languages than, say, proverbs. The proverbs of Persian are, however, inserted in certain styles of Kashmiri (both spoken and written) and Hindustani. Consider, for example, the following idioms.
  - 10. aur maí parivartan ghar se šaru karū̃gā kyū̃ki and I change home from begin will do because Charity begins at home. (D, 29.4.73)
  - 11. ...apnī bāt kā samarthan youth is blunder kah kar kartī haī (D, 29.4.73) own story of support ....having said does aux

  - 13. suniye,  $\bar{a}p$  kam kariye sab thik hoga after all Rome was not Listen (hon.) you work do everything fine will be . . . . . built in a day.

(e) <u>Inflection attachment and reduplication</u>: A number of English and Persian borrowings in South Asian languages have undergone the inflectional processes of the South Asian languages in such code-mixing, e.g., <u>səkūlī digrī vālā</u> (a person who possesses a school degree; <u>D</u>, 12. 8.73). A discussion on such inflection is presented in Bhatia (1967) and B. Kachru (1975a and 1975b) for English borrowings, and Bahri (1960) for the Persian borrowings.

The process of reduplication, which is very common in South Asian languages, is applied to English items to convey the semantic function of indefinitization, e.g.,

- 16. ...us par savār ek čālak kaksh mẽ gayā aur pūčhā,
  on that riding one driver room in went and asked
  peṭrōl veṭrōl bhar liyā hai (D, 17.6.73)
  petrol and the like filled has
- 17. ...akting (acting) -- vekting mãi k'ā jānữ rē (SH, 29.7.73) acting and the like I what should know hey
- 4.2. Lexicalization: I shall use the term 'lexicalization' to refer to lexical infusion in a language from a lexical source (or sources) not native to the particular language. For example, English and Persian lexical strata in Hindi or Kashmiri.

In South Asia this infusion has worked in several directions, e.g., the Indianization of English (B. Kachru 1965 and 1966), and the Persianization and Engishization of the Dravidian and Indo-Aryan languages (Bahri 1960; Sridhar 1975).

I shall mainly concentrate here on the type of lexicalization which has resulted in introducing additional lexical strata in a language. In several South Asian languages there are such co-existing lexical strata which are to a large extent functionally determined. The role of these co-existing (but functionally distinct) lexical strata can be better explained in the framework of the contextual units related to the overall context of situation. The choice of a particular lexical stratum, out of the total range, is conditioned by appropriateness of several types, e.g., the participants' sex, religion, caste and occupation.

The following examples from Sanskritized, Persianized and Englishized verb formations with the structure V+operator ( Y. Kachru 1968) are illustrative.

Sanskritized	Persianized	Englishized	• " •
ārambh karnā adhikār karnā bhūl karnā čintā karnā dayā karnā ghriņā karnā	śarū karnā kabzā karnā galatī karnā phikir karnā raham karnā naphrat karnā	begin karnā control karnā mistake karnā worry karnā pity karnā hate karnā	'to begin' 'to control' 'to make a mistake' 'to worry' 'to pity' 'to hate'

4.0. MOTIVATIONS FOR CODE-MIXING. The motivations for code-mixing are primarily of two types, i.e., attitudinal and linguistic. However, to a certain extent, these two tend to overlap. The attitudinal and pragmatic reasons for code-mixing are more or less identical to the reasons which encourage code-switching. The question I am asking here is: What are the linguistic motivations for code-mixing? It seems to me that basically there are three motivations: role identification, register identification, and desire for elucidation and interpretation.

The parameters for role identification are social, registral and educational. The languages which a multilingual person 'mixes', contribute to placing him in the hierarchy of the social network in which he functions; it also marks his attitude and relationship toward the participants in a speech act, and, consequently, the attitude of the participants toward him.

I shall attempt to illustrate this point by three types of codemixing current in India and the attitudinal consequence of each of these. First, the code mixing of a South Asian language with English. In attitudinal terms it is a mark of modernization, high socio-economic position and identity with a certain type of elite group, and in stylistic terms it marks what may be termed 'deliberate' style. It is used as a marker of 'modernization', or to mark the registral features of special language types. Second, the code-mixing of a South Asian language with Persian. This identifies a person in terms of his religion and/or occupation. However, on the cline of modernization this type of codemixing is lower than code-mixing with English. Stylistically the more Perso-Arabic influence one shows, the more exclusive the style becomes in terms of the participant and role. The Perso-Arabic style is, however, widely used in the legal register. Third, the code-mixing of South Asian languages with Sanskrit. This again is a religion and caste-marking feature, and to some extent also a marker of exclusiveness. In stylistic terms

it is identified as panditau (or 'pedantic') style.

A large number of South Asian languages have developed these three linguistic role-identifying code-mixed styles of language. Consider, for example, Bengali (Dil 1972); Hindi (Bahri 1960; Bhatia 1967; B. Kachru 1975b); Kannada (Sridhar 1975) and Kashmiri (B. Kachru 1973).

It seems to me that it might be more insightful to characterize several Indian languages and dialects on the basis of the type of codemixing involved in each caste and religious dialect, rather than simply on the basis of caste and religion per se. However, in certain speech communities a neat dichotomy and categorization is not possible, e.g., as in Kashmiri.

The use of the terms 'register-identification' and 'registral characteristics' with reference to code-mixing needs further explanation. It can be demonstrated that one formal clue for the identification of various 'register-types' is the type of code-mixing involved. For example, in the case of Hindi, code-mixing with English is an essential distinguishing feature of technological, scientific and some restricted newspaper registers (e.g., sports reporting). The following are illustrative.

- 20. Amresh apni kuch medikal (medical) ki kitabe, drag (drug) kampaniya (company + Hindi pl. marker) ke ketalag (catalogue) ke pulinde, stetheskop (stethescope) sambhale. . . (S, 4.1972)
- 21. aiye, glaiding (gliding) kare, dilli ke glaiding klab (gliding club) me (D, 17.6.74).
- 22. daktar (doctor) sahib āp us miting (meeting) me prezant (present) nahī the. badā intresting (interesting) diskašan (discussion) huā. spīkar (speaker) ke point aph viv (point of view) se agrī (agree) nahī kar sakā aur maine phōrsphul (forceful) spīč (speech) delivar (deliver) ki āudiyans (audience) waz (was) mūvd (moved) kamplitli (completely) and the havs (house) waz (was) in my phevar (favor). (Bhatia 1967:56).
- 23. Eknāmiks (economics) ek aisā subjakt (subject) hai jiskī utilitī (utility) de tu de (day to day) laiph (life) mai riyalaiz (realize) kī jā saktī hai. (Bhatia 1967:57).

In elucidation and interpretation code-mixing provides two type clues. First, in several South Asian languages, register stability

is yet to be attained, therefore, English or Persian is used to elucidate a term or a concept. Second, English or Persian is used as a device for reducing the possibility of ambiguity in a construction. Consider the following:

- 24. . . . yeh thös kārban dāyaksaid arthāt sūkhī baraph (<u>D</u>, 7.11.71). this solid carbon dioxide meaning dry ice
- 25. jahā glaidar kō sahārā rah jātā haī, keval tharmal karant kā where glider to support remain aux, only thermal current of arthāt garam havaō kī tarangē . . . (D, 17.6.73).
  meaning hot winds of waves.
- 26. hamārī rājnīti āj bhī anek ghoṣṇāo tathā samājvādī our politics today also many slogans and socialist ādambaro kē bād bhī mūltah višiṣt vargīya hai (D, 17.2.72). pretences of after even mainly elitist is
- 27. . . . mai bār bār tamāšā yā līlā ke rūp ko . . . (D, 26.5.74).

  I again again scene or miracle of form obj. marker.

The items <u>arthat</u> ('meaning') <u>ya</u> ('or') introduce an elucidation, translation or technical equivalent in another code.

- 5.0. CONSTRAINTS ON CODE-MIXING: A CLINE OF ACCEPTABILITY. There seems to be a cline of acceptability in code-mixing. It is not an open-ended process either grammatically or lexically (especially in collocating lexical terms). The grammatical constraints, however, are not necessarily of the type 'yes' or 'no'. The reaction toward the code-mixed constructions is in the nature of 'sure', 'yes, depends', 'no' or a response of 'It is an odd mixing'. The following constraints are illustrative:
- 1.  $\it Rank-Shift Constraint:$  The rank-shifted constructions are not from English.
  - \*28. voh kitāb which is on the table merī hai.
    that book . . . . . . . . . mine is
  - \*29. merā voh amrikī dost who lives in Chicago āj hamāre ghar ayegā.

    my that American friend . . . . . . . today our house will come
- Conjunction Constraint: In code-mixing of South Asian languages and English conjunctions (and, or, etc.) are not used to conjoin two NPs.
  - \*30. NP and NP aye the.

NP and NP came were

\*31. mai usko akhbār detā but diyā nahī.

I to him newspaper would give gave not

Note, however, that conjoining two sentences from two languages is
common. Consider

- 32. bhai, khānā khao and let us go. mode of address. meal eat . . .

Note that the conjoining items are from the same language from which the conjoined sentence is introduced. The following sentences are, therefore, not the preferred constructions:

In the use of conjunction markers in code-mixing a distinction must be made between those languages the items of which have been completely assimilated (e.g., Persian in Kashmiri) and those the items of which are yet to be assimilated (e.g., English in Kashmiri). The Persian conjunction markers are very frequent in Hindi and Kashmiri and native speakers of these languages are hardly aware of their sources.

- 4. Determiner Constraint: There are several constraints on the items which can be code-mixed in a noun phrase in pre-head positions.
  - \*35. vahā five sundar larkiyā parh rahī thī (numeral). these... beautiful girls reading were
  - \*36. tum this sundar larki ki bāt kar rahe the? (Demonstrative).
    you .... beautiful girl of talking were
- 5. Complementizer Constraint: There are some constraints on code-mixing in complementizers. Consider the following:
- (a) If the two sentences are from the same source languages, a complementizer from another source is not inserted.
  - \*37. mujhe lagtā hai that rām kal āyegā.

    to me seems aux .... Ram tomorrow will come
- (b) Given two sentences from two sources (say, Hindi and English) the preference is given to a complementizer from the language used in the first sentences, e.g.,
  - 38. mujhe lagtā hai ki rām will come tomorrow.

    to me seems aux that Ram . . . . . . . .

This is especially true with verbs of perception (e.g., sunnā 'to hear', socnā 'to think'; or verbs of saying (e.g., kehnā 'to say', batānā 'to tell').

- 6.0. LANGUAGE DYNAMICS AND LANGUAGE CHANGE. One might ask now: linguistically speaking, what has been the influence of code-mixing on South Asian languages? There is a long tradition of code-mixing between Persian, English and the languages of the South Asian sub-continent. Code-mixing has initiated two major processes which have resulted in language change. The first process is that of Persianization and the second that of Englishization. As a result of these two processes, the South Asian languages have been influenced at all of the linguistic levels. 6.1. Phonology: There are several studies which discuss the assimilation of Persian and English loanwords in the phonological system of South Asian language. (For details see Bahri 1960; Bhatia 1967; and B. Kachru 1975b).
- 6.2. Lexis: There is mutual expectancy between the choice of the lexical range and the register or discourse types. The Sanskrit lexical spread is associated with literary criticism, philosophical writing and with certain types of broadcasting. In certain languages (e.g., Telugu) the Sanskrit source items also mark a distinction between the <u>formal</u> and <u>colloquial</u> styles of language. The English source items have high frequency in the registers of social sciences and technology.
- 6.3. Syntax: By and large the syntax of a language is more resistant to change than are the other levels of language. So far, very little research has been done to investigate the impact of code-mixing and code-switching on the syntax of South Asian languages. The following syntactic characteristics of Hindi are, however, attributed to the influence of English or Persian.
- (a) <u>SVO structure</u>: The surface word order of Hindi is SOV as opposed to the SVO order of English. In recent years in various styles of Hindi there is a tendency to use SVO structure. (Mishra 1963:175-77; Tiwari 1966:296-300).
- (b) <u>Impersonal constructions</u>: Traditionally in Hindi active forms are used where English uses what are termed 'impersonal constructions'

- e.g., it is said, it has been learnt. In Hindi the translation 'equivalents' of these English constructions are kehte har, suna hai. However, in the newspaper register of Hindi it is not uncommon to find constructions such as kaha jata hai (it is said); dekha gaya hai (it has been seen); or suna gaya hai (it has been learned).
- (c) <u>Indirect speech</u>: Traditionally in Hindi discourse the distinction between <u>direct</u> and <u>indirect</u> speech is not made. In modern prose this distinction has been introduced, e.g., <u>NP said that he will</u> read as opposed to NP said that I will read.
- (d) <u>Post-head modifier jo</u>: The development of the 'jo' (who) construction in Hindi in the post-head position is attributed to the influence of English by some scholars (e.g. Tiwari 1966:293), other scholars believe that this construction may have developed due to the Persian influence (e.g. Guru 1962:530-31). Consider, e.g.,
  - 39. veh laṛkā jō ṭebal par bɛṭhā hai merā bhaī hai that boy who table on sitting is my brother is That boy who is sitting on the table is my brother.
- (e) <u>Passivization with 'dvārā'</u>: In Indo-Aryan languages there is a tendency to delete the agent in passive constructions. This applies to Hindi. The <u>dvārā</u> (<u>by</u>) construction is considered an influence of English and this construction is now frequently used. Consider, for example,
  - 40. yeh natak bhartendu dvara likha gaya hai. This play has been written by Bhartendu.
- (f) Parenthetical clauses: There are two views on the development of parenthetical clauses in Hindi. Some scholars claim that the introduction of these clauses is due to English influence. Others disagree and consider these as typically Indo-Aryan constructions. Such clauses are also present in Lalluji Lal's (1763-1835) prose. (See also Tiwari 1966:297-98; for the Persian influence on Hindi syntax, see ibid. 294-96).

The identical tendencies toward English and/or Persian influence may be traced in other South Asian languages, too. Consider, for example, the word order of Kashmiri. The preferred word order is SVO which seems to be a result of the influence of Persian. This is especially true of the literary style. (B. Kachru 1973).

- 7.0. 'SWITCHING' WITHOUT 'MIXING': We still have to find methodological techniques to structure some aspects of code-mixing for which one does not necessarily find formal evidence. I have earlier used the term 'shift' for this process (B. Kachru 1965:402-3). The process of shifting does not result in the surface realization of code-mixing. But two languages which go through the processes of code-mixing and code-switching also go through the process of shifting. It manifests itself in loan shifts, and loan translations. In South Asia this process works in both the directions. On the one hand, it is used to Indianize the English language, (B. Kachru 1965, 1966) and on the other hand, it is used to Englishize the South Asian languages (B. Kachru 1975b). Consider, for example, the loan translations such as the following sit yudh (SH, 13.6. 71) and prēm-trikōn (ibid.): these are translation equivalents of English cold war and love-triangle respectively. The process of shift from English is used in several registers of Hindi. In addition, a number of such formations are used in Hindi specifically in those contexts which are relevant to western culture, e.g., suprabhāt 'good morning'; karmardan 'handshake'; madhurat 'honeymoon!.
- 8.0. CONCLUSION: The restricted data on code-mixing presented above focuses on one thing -- that in any descriptively adequate statement on code-mixing the interrelationship of role, form and function are crucial. It has been argued that a statement which includes context as a congruent level for such a language contact situation as exists in code-mixing is not only relevant but also helps in an insightful understanding, in functional terms, of such uses of language, which some scholars, in India and elsewhere, have termed 'odd-mixing' because such a 'mixing' should not occur in the 'pure' or 'standard' language (Raghuvira 1973).

In present sociolinguistic research it may be worth our while to investigate how the Firthian concepts of 'the context of situation' and of the 'renewal of connection' between form and function can be used to achieve a more insightful understanding of language contact situations and linguistic interaction. After all, it may be recalled that what is termed 'sociolinguistics' on this side of the Atlantic has always meant 'general linguistics' on the other side of the ocean. That a process of rethinking has started is obvious in the following observation of Labov (1970:152):

In recent years, there has developed an approach to linguistic research which focuses upon language in use within the speech community, aiming at a linguistic theory adequate to account for this data. This type of research has sometimes been labelled as 'sociolinguistics,' although it is somewhat misleading use of an oddly redundant term. Children raised in isolation do not use language; it is used by human beings in a social context, communicating their needs, ideas and emotions to one another. The egocentric monologues of children appear to be secondary developments derived from the social use of language (Vygotsky 1962:19) and very few people spend much time talking to themselves. It is questionable whether sentences that communicate nothing to anyone are a part of language. In what way, then, can 'sociolinguistics' be considered as something apapt from 'linguistics'?

#### NOTES

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- $^2$ Terms such as 'unit' have been used here in the sense in which they are used in Halliday, 1961.
- $^{3}\mbox{Note that in such codes one can also include specialized codes such as pidgins and creoles.$
- <sup>4</sup>For further discussion see relevant sections in Firth 1930 and 1937 and the following papers in Firth 1957, 'The technique of semantics'; 'Modes of Meaning'; 'General linguistics and descriptive grammar'. There is also discussion on it in Ellis 1965; Halliday 1959; B. Kachru 1966; Lyons 1966 and Mitchell 1957.
- <sup>5</sup>I have used the following abbreviations for the sources of illustrations given in this paper: D, Dharmayug, Bombay; NBT, Nav Bharat Times, New Delhi; S, Sarita, New Delhi; SH, Saptahik Hindustan, New Delhi.

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# ON THE SEMANTICS OF HINDI-URDU celna\*

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The verb colna 'to go' is one of the most frequently used verbs in Hindi-Urdu. There are, however, no linguistically oriented studies on its semantic properties. Since it shares the semantic feature [+ movement] with jana 'to go' it is usually treated as its synonym. This treatment is widely accepted in the traditional grammars. However, Vajpeyi (1967:467) points out that colna 'to go' behaves somewhat differently in some situations. Also Sinha (1972:351) presents relevant data in which colna disambiguates the sentences, if substituted for jana.

It is obvious that the semantic interpretation of  $\underline{\text{colna}}$  is not as straightforward as was assumed by traditional grammarians.

In this paper I present evidence to show that the apparent discrepancies found in the behaviour of  $\underline{\text{celna}}$  are primarily due to two reasons; first its treatment as a nuclear verb and second its treatment as a synonym of  $\underline{\text{jana}}$ .

This paper has been divided into three sections. In Section I, I present evidence to prove that it is necessary to assign more than one underlying semantic representation to celna and that such an assumption would resolve many apparent discrepancies found in the data. In II, I argue that celna behaves quite differently from jana. In the underlying semantic representation of celna, in addition to the feature [+ movement], a feature [+ inclusive] is needed which indicates that either the speaker or the hearer is included along with the surface subject of celna. Thus it is not plausible to treat it as a synonym of jana, which is exclusive of the speaker or hearer. In Section III, I present some arguments for identifying this part of the underlying semantic representation as a presupposition as opposed to either logical implication or entailment.

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Consider the following sets of sentences:

I. (1) meena ghas per celti he. Meena grass on move is. Meena moves on the grass.

- (2) garī ghas par caltī hε. cart grass on move is. The cart moves on the grass.
- II. \*(3) meena Chicago coltí he. Meena Chicago go is. Meena goes to Chicago.
  - \*(4) kar Chicago colti hε. car Chicago move is. Car moves to Chicago.
- III. (5) meena Chicago cal rahi he.

  Meena Chicago move prog. is.

  Meena is going to Chicago.
  - (6) meena ghas per cel rehi he.

    Meena grass on move prog. is.

    Meena is walking on the grass.
  - (7) hem Chicago cel rehe he.

    we Chicago move prog. are.

    We are going to Chicago.
  - (8) hem ghas per cel rehe he. we grass on move prog. are. We are walking on the grass.
  - \*(9) kar Chicago cel rahi he.

    car Chicago move prog. is.

    Car is moving to Chicago.
  - (10) <u>kar ghas per cel rehī he.</u>

    car grass on move prog. is.

    Car is moving on the grass.
  - IV. (11) meena Chicago celegi.

    Meena Chicago move will.

    Meena will go to Chicago.
    - (12) hom Chicago colege.

      we Chicago move will.

      We will go to Chicago.

- \*(13) kar Chicago celegi.
  car Chicago move will.
  Car will move to Chicago.
- \*(14) meena Chicago celi. 4

  Meena Chicago move+past.

  Meena moved to Chicago.
- V. (15) Chicago colo.
  Chicago go.
  Go to Chicago.
  - (16) kya v⊕h Chicago c⊖le?

    Q she Chicago move+subjunctive

    Should she go to Chicago?

Traditional grammars would fail to account for the ungrammatical sentences in the data above, because in the framework of colna as a nuclear verb, all those sentences would be predicted to be grammatical. Traditional grammars should either treat these as exceptions or place heavy constraints on the behavior of colna. For example, the grammaticality of the sentences in I vs. the ungrammaticality of the sentences in II can be explained only if there is a constraint on colna, namely, colna involves a kind of movement which can be modified by a place, but not a directional adverbial. The set of sentences in group I involves place, while the ones in group II involve direction. However such an assumption would not hold true in the case of the sentences in group III, in which colna, when modified for direction, produces grammatical sentences if its subject is + [animate]. The set of sentences in group IV show that it can take a directional adverbial if the tense is future but not when it is past.

Thus the grammar would have to specify the following conditions on  $\underline{\text{colna}}$  in order for it to take directional adverbials:

- (1) Subject must be [+ animate]
- (2) Tense or mood should be one of the following:
  - i. present progressive
  - ii. simple future
  - iii. imperative
    - iv. subjunctive

Moreover, the grammar would label the following sentences as ambiguous in the sense that it would fail to specify whether or not the speaker/hearer is involved in the movement of celna:

- (17) meena cəl rəhi hε.
  Meena is moving.
- (18) ham cal rahe hg.
  We are moving.
- (19) meena celegi.
  Meena will move.
- (20) <u>həm cəlēge</u>.

  We will move.

However, native speakers clearly interpret (17) and (19) as speaker-inclusive while (18) and (20) are interpreted as hearer-inclusive. This intuition of the native speakers is clearly captured in the following sentences:

- \*(21) meena cel rehī hɛ, per mɛ̃ nehī ja reha.

  Meena move prog. is, but I not go prog.

  Meena is going but I am not going.
- \*(22) ham cal rahe he, par tum nahî ja rahe.

  we move prog. are, but you not go prog.

  We are going, but you are not going.
- \*(23) meena celegi per hem nehi jayege.

  Meena go will, but we not go will.

  Meena will go but we will not go.
- \*(24) ham calege par tum nahı jaoge.

  we go will but you not go will.

  We will go but you will not go.
- (21) and (23) are ungrammatical because the speaker's movement is negated in the conjoined sentence and (22) and (24) are ungrammatical because the hearer's movement is negated in the conjoined sentence. Nevertheless, the grammar would fail to explain the ungrammaticality of the sentences (21)-(24).

Moreover, the following sentences indicate that <u>celna</u> is not always inclusive of the speaker's/hearer's movement:

- (25) Sham colta he par me nahi.

  Sham move is but I not.

  Sham moves but I don't.
- (26) Meena ghas per celti he per me betha hu.

  Meena grass on move is but I seated am.

  Meena moves on the grass but I am sitting.

where sentences are grammatical even when the speaker's movement is negated in the conjoined sentence.

All these facts can be accounted for if we assume that <u>calna</u> is a non-nuclear verb, which may be classified into the following: <u>calna</u> involves physical movement as in 'to walk' and can be modified for place but not direction or goal, while <u>calna</u> involves <u>jana</u> 'to go' -- like movement, which can be modified for direction as well. The choice of either of these depends on the inclusion or the exclusion of the speaker's/hearer's movement. If it is exclusive of the speaker/hearer (when the speaker/hearer is not the subject) it has the underlying representation of 'to walk' and if it is inclusive of the speaker's/hearer's movement, it has the underlying representation of <u>jana</u> 'to go'. Leech (1969:190) points out that "the meanings of <u>come</u> and <u>go</u> resemble those of <u>walk</u> and <u>run</u> etc. in implying movement, but they do have the additional force of movement in respect of a goal or destination."

This hypothesis would explain the data in simple and systematic fashion. Recall the sets of sentences in groups I and II. The grammaticality of the sentences in group I and the ungrammaticality of the sentences in group II can be accounted for if we show that <u>celna</u> is exclusive of the speaker<sup>6</sup> in those cases, and that is why it ought to have an underlying representation like 'to walk' which can be marked for place but not for goal.

Group III consists of sentences (5), (6), (7), (8), in which <u>calna</u> is marked for place as well as goal. The test of inclusiveness shows that <u>calna</u> is inclusive of the speaker/hearer [+ GO] and thus has 'go' -- like semantic representation, which allows it to be marked for place and goal. (9) and (10) are exclusive of the speaker/hearer [+ GO] and that is why <u>calna</u> behaves like 'to walk', thus it cannot be marked for goal, but can be marked for place.

In group IV, (11) and (12) are inclusive while (13) and (14) are exclusive of the speaker/hearer [+ GO]. This accounts for the grammaticality/ungrammaticality of the sentences involved.

Thus we can draw the following conclusions: First it is necessary to subcategorize celna into two verbs. Second, when unmarked for goal or place, if it is inclusive of speaker/hearer [+ GO], it behaves like jana 'to go' and thus is allowed to be marked for place or goal. However, when unmarked, if it is exclusive of the speaker/hearer [+ GO] it has 'walk'-like semantic representation, so it cannot be marked for goal. Third, the investigation of the data reveals that celna is inclusive of the speaker/hearer [+ GO] in certain tesnes and moods, such as:

- (1) present progressive (group III)
- (2) future (group IV)
- (3) imperative (group V)
- (4) subjunctive (group V)

and not in others like simple present (set I) or simple past (set IV, (14)). Thus we are prompted to think that tense also plays an important role in the choice of its semantic properties.

However we find the following kind of sentences where  $\frac{c \cdot d \cdot lna}{d \cdot lna}$  is inclusive of the speaker/hearer [+ GO] in simple past tense also. 11

- (27) me ne keha 'veh cel rehi he.'

  I agent marker said 'she move prog. is.'

  I said she is going.
- (28) me ne keha, 'me cel reha hu.'

  I agent marker said, 'I move prog. am.'

  I said I am going.

Note that these sentences are inclusive of the speaker/hearer [+ GO] because the negation of the speaker's/hearer's movement results in the ungrammatical sentences:

- \*(29) me ne kana, 'van cel reni he, per me nehi ja rana.'

  I agent marker said, 'she move prog. is but I not go prog.'

  I said she is going but I am not.
- \*(30) me ne keha, 'më cel reha hū, per tum nehī ja rehe.'

  I agent marker said, 'I move prog. am, but you not go prog.'

  I said, 'I am going but you are not.'

While (14) shows that <u>calna</u> is not inclusive of the speaker [+ GO], the evidence above shows that tense is not a crucial factor in deciding what kind of semantic interpretation it has in a given situation.

In the framework of our analysis we can explain this phenomenon in a straightforward fashion.

- A sentence S should be tested for inclusiveness/exclusiveness of speaker/hearer [+ GO].
  - 2. S should be unmarked for place, goal, etc.
- If it is inclusive/exclusive [+ GO] it will not lose this property, even when it is embedded.

This could be further tested in the following sentence.

I agent marker said, 'she on the grass move prog. is.

I said, 'She is walking on the grass.' going to Chicago.'

which clearly discloses jana-like behavior of celna, which is marked for both place and goal. Consider the following sentence:

(32) 
$$\underline{\mathsf{m}}\underline{\varepsilon}$$
  $\underline{\mathsf{ne}}$   $\underline{\mathsf{k}}\underline{\mathsf{eha}}, \underline{\mathsf{v}}\underline{\mathsf{eh}}$   $\underline{\mathsf{c}}\underline{\mathsf{elti}}$   $\underline{\mathsf{h}}\underline{\varepsilon}.$ 

I agent marker said, 'she move is.'

I said she walks.

in which 'veh celti he.' 'she walks' is exclusive of the speaker and remains so when embedded under a verb in the past tense. This is strengthened by the following sentences which show that in cases like this celna, like walk, can only be marked for place and not for the goal.

I said she moves on the grass.

"I said she goes to Chicago.

Thus it is necessary to assume that the inclusive/exclusiveness of the speaker/hearer [+ GO] plays a crucial role in the choice and the interpretation of celna.

In Section I, I established that <u>colna</u> does have a <u>jana-like</u> underlying semantic representation. However, there is adequate evidence to prove that <u>colna</u> and <u>jana</u> cannot be treated as synonyms, because their behavior differs significantly regarding the inclusiveness/ exclusiveness of the speaker/hearer, and so we cannot assign to them the same semantic representation, which according to Fillmore (1962) is crucial for two verbs to be synonyms.

Note the following sentences:

### Type I

- \*(34) veh cel rehi he per me nehi ja reha.

  she move prog. is but I not go prog.

  She is going but I am not going.
  - (35) veh ja rehí he per me nehí ja reha.

    she go prog. is but I not go prog.

    She is going but I am not.

## Type II

- \*(36) calo mẽ nahĩ ja raha.

  move, I not go prog.

  Go, I am not going.
  - (37) jao mẽ nehĩ ja reha.
    go I not go prog.
    Go, I am not going.

# Type III

- \*(38) (ap) khana khane cele me nehi ja reha.

  (you) meal to eat move-subjunctive I not go prog.

  You may go to eat (your) meal, I am not going.
- (38a) (ap) khana khane jayẽ mẽ nəhĩ ja rəha.

  (you) meal to eat go+subjunctive I not go prog.

  You may go to eat your meal, I am not going.

## Type IV

#(39) me nehi ja reha pertum celo.

I not go prog. but you move
I am not going but you go.

- (40) me nahî ja raha par tum jao.

  I not go prog. but you go.

  I am not going but you go.
- \*(41) mera subeh kī garī se jana sembhev nehī, per tum celo.

  my morning of train by going possible not but you move.

  It is not possible for me to go by the morning-train but you go.
  - (42) mera subeh kī garī se jana sembhev nehī per tum jao.

    my morning of train by going possible not but you go.

    It is not possible for me to go by the morning train but you go.
- #(43) me apne ghar nahî ja raha par tum mere ghar calo.

  I my house not go prog. but you my house move.

  I am not going to my house but you go to my house.
- (44) me apne ghar nahî ja raha par tum mere ghar jao.

  I my house not go prog. but you my house go.

  I am not going to my house but you go to my house.
- #(45) mg kalij nahî ja raha par meena kalij cal rahî he.

  I college not go prog. but Meena college move prog. is.

  I am not going to college but Meena is going to college.
  - (46) mε kalij nahĩ ja raha par meena kalij ja rahî hε.
    I college not go prog. but Meena college go prog. is.
    I am not going to college but Meena is going to college.

# Type V

- \*(47) sam cel reha he kyoki hem nehî ja rehe.

  Sham move prog. is because we not go prog.

  Sham is going because we are not going.
  - (48) sam ja reha he kyöki hem nehi ja rehe.

    Sham go prog. is because we not go prog.

    Sham is going because we are not going.
- \*(49) prekash mūvī dekhne cel reha he kyőki hem nehĩ ja rehe.

  Prakash movie to see move prog. is because we not go prog.

  Prakash is going to see the movie because we are not going.

(50) prakash movî dekhne ja raha he kyőki ham nahî ja rahe.

Prakash movie to see go prog. is because we not go prog.

Prakash is going to see the movie because we are not going.

## Type VI

- \*(51) sheela mere gher cel rehî he aur me epne gher ja reha h $\tilde{u}$ . Sheela my house move prog. is and I my house go prog. am. Sheela is going to my house and I am going to my house.
  - (52) sheela mere gher ja rehi hε aur me bhi epne gher ja reha hū.

    Sheela my house go prog. is and I also my house go prog. am.

    Sheela is going to my house and I am also going to my house.
- \*(53) shered kepre kherîdne cel reha he aur me kepre kherîdne
  Sharad clothes to buy move prog. is and I clothes to buy
  Sharad is going to buy clothes and I am going

  ja reha hū.
  go prog. am.
  to buy clothes.
  - (54) sharad kapre kharîdne ja raha he aur me bhî kapre kharîdne
    Sharad clothes to buy go prog. is and I also clothes to buy
    Sharad is going to buy clothes and I am going to buy clothes.

    ja raha hū.
    go prog. am.

## Type VII

- \*(55) sheela bhí cal rehi ha par ma nehí ja reha.

  Sheela also move prog. is but I not go prog.

  Sheela also is going but I am not going.
  - (56) sheela bhī ja rehī hɛ per mɛ nehī ja reha.

    Sheela also go prog. is but I not go prog.

    Sheela also is going but I am not going.
- \*(57) sheela aur ram (bhī) cal rehe hɛ, per mɛ nehī ja reha.

  Sheela and Ram (also) move prog. are, but I not go prog.

  Sheela and Ram also are going but I am not going.

(58) sheela aur ram (bhî) ja rehe hɛ, per mɛ nehĩ ja reha.

Sheela and Ram (also) go prog. are, but I not go prog.

Sheela and Ram also are going but I am not going.

## Type VIII

- ?\*(59) sheela ram ke sath col rohî hε, por mε nohî ja roha.

  Sheela Ram with move prog. is, but I not go prog.

  Sheela is going with Ram but I am not going
  - (60) <u>sheela ram ke sath ja rəhī hε, pər mɛ nəhī ja rəha.</u>

    Sheela Ram with go prog. is, but I not go prog.

    Sheela is going with Ram but I am not going.
- ?\*(61) becca ma ke sath 'station' cel reha hε, per mε nehi ja reha. child mother with station move prog. is but I not go prog. The child is going to the station with (his) mother but I am not going.
  - (62) bacca mã ke sath 'station' ja raha hê, par mê nahî ja raha.

    child mother with station go prog. is but I not go prog.

    The child is going to the station with (his) mother but I am not going.

This data clearly shows that <u>celna</u> behaves differently from <u>jana</u> in all eight types of sentences. If <u>celna</u> is treated as a synonym of <u>jana</u>, all these cases will have to be labelled as exceptions. Moreover, such an assumption would fail to capture the systematic nature of the differences, namely, in the data given above, sentences with <u>celna</u> (in the main sentence) are ungrammatical if the speaker's movement is negated in the following sentence or if it is stated in the following sentence. Note that the subject of the above mentioned types of sentences (I-VIII) is none other than the speaker. However if we substitute  $m\tilde{\epsilon}$  'I' or hem 'we' for the subject and tum 'you' for the subject of the conjoined sentences, the result will not be different with regard to the grammaticality/ungrammaticality of the sentences and <u>celna</u> will still behave differently in exactly the same way.

However, if we posit <u>colna</u> as inclusive of the speaker/hearer [+ GO] and treat it as a part of its semantic representation, we can

explain the ungrammaticality of these sentences in terms of the negation of what is assumed to be part of its underlying semantic representation (types I-V), or in terms of tautologous assertion of what is already expressed (type VI).

This hypothesis can be well tested by the negation test, referred to by Morgan (1973:27). For a hypothesis that some presupposition P is a part of  $C(S_1)$  (complete logic of the sentence) for some sentence  $S_1$  the hypothesis is tested by constructing a sentence  $S_1$  of the form  $S_1$  and neg(P) or  $S_1$  but neg(P), where neg(P) is the natural language negation of the presupposition. If  $S_1$  evokes a judgment of contradiction, the hypothesis is supported. Sentences of type II and VIII clearly support our hypothesis, because in the cases, negation of speaker/hearer [+ GO] results in an ungrammatical sentence.

Note the following sentences again:

- \*(63)  $S_i$  [veh Chicago dekhne cel rehī he] $S_i$  aur  $_p$ [mɛ nehī ja reha.] $_p$  She is going to see Chicago and I am not going.
- \*(64) S<sub>i</sub>[veh Chicago dekhne cel rehī hɛ]S<sub>i</sub> per p[mɛ nehī ja reha.]<sub>p</sub>
  She is going to see Chicago but I am not going.

While discussing the redundant element, 'four sided' in the sentence,
'This figure is a four-sided square' Morgan (1973:21) defines redundant
element (single word or an entire sentence) as having no properties that
are not expressed by the well-formed sentence created by the removal of
that element. Leech (1970:39) proposes a test for pointing out tautologies.
'The assertion a <0.b.r.c.\ s.d is a tautology if the assertion a.r.c.
implies the assertion a.s.d. In the set of sentences of the type VII,
bhi 'also' implies that someone else is involved in the action and if we
negate the speaker's movement, (55) and (57) are ungrammatical, while (56)
and (58), with jana as their verb, are not. It supports our hypothesis
that celna is inclusive of the speaker while jana is not.

The sentences with <u>jana</u> in VIII are immediately acceptable to native speakers, but they are not as good with <u>colna</u>. In the light of this discussion, if we observe the sentences of the type VI, we find that (59) and (61) are illformed because they contain a redundant element, namely the conjoined sentence, which expresses precisely what is already

indicated by the preceding sentence. Since I/you [+ GO] is included in the interpretation of colma, the conjoined sentence is redundant. Since the sentences with jana as the main verb of the main sentence are not illformed, we can assume that jana is not inclusive of the speaker/hearer [+ GO] and thus is different from colma.

Morgan (1973:28) points out that some sentences are reported to be bizzare because they seem to contradict the logical property of the sentence. Note the following sentences:

- ?\*(65) A[Sheela spne ghar cal reht he]A

  A[Sheela her house move prog. is]A

  A[Sheela is going to her house]A

  B[islive me usse ab neht mil sakta]B

  B[that's why I with her now not meet can]B
- ?\*(66) A[hemara sara periwar cel reha he]A

  A[our all family move prog. is]A

  A[Our whole family is going]A

  B[per me nehi ja reha]B

  B[but I not go prog.]B

  B[but I am not going]A
- ?\*(67)  $_{A}[aj]$  ap Chicago cal rahe  $\underline{h} \in J_{A}$   $_{A}[today\ you\ Chicago\ move\ prog.\ are]_{A}$   $_{A}[Today\ you\ are\ going\ to\ Chicago]_{A}$   $_{B}[\underline{isliye}$   $\underline{m} \in \underline{apse}$   $\underline{bate}$   $\underline{nahi}$   $\underline{kar}$   $\underline{sakuga}J_{B}$   $_{B}[that's\ why\ I\ with\ you\ chitchat\ not\ do\ canJ_{B}]$   $_{B}[that\ is\ why\ I\ will\ not\ be\ able\ to\ chitchat\ with\ youJ_{B}]}$

In (65), (66), and (67) the conjoined sentence B contradicts the property of  $\underline{\text{colna}}$  (namely the inclusiveness of the speaker [+ GO].

Another dimension in which <u>cəlna</u> differs from <u>jana</u> is that <u>cəlna</u> assumes not only speaker/hearer [+ GO] but also the direction of the movement of its surface subject. For example:

- \*(68) veh epne gher cel rehī he aur me epne gher ja reha h $\tilde{u}$ . she her house move prog. is and I my house go prog. am. She is going to her house and I am going to my house.
- \*(69) veh hotel cel reha he aur me kalij ja reha hu.

  he hotel move prog. is and I college go prog. am.

  He is going to the hotel and I am going to college.
- \*(70) mohen dukan cel reha he aur me uske gher ja reha h $\tilde{u}$ .

  Mohan shop move prog. is and I his house move prog. am.

  Mohan is going to the shop and I am going to his house.
- In (68), (69), and (70), the conjoined sentences indicate that the speaker's movement has a direction different from that of the subject of <u>colna</u> in the preceding sentence. However there is no such constraint on <u>jana</u>. Thus the same sentences with <u>jana</u> are well-formed. For example:
  - (71) veh epne gher ja reha tE aur tE epne gher ja reha tD. He is going to his house and I am going to my house.
  - (72) veh hotel ja reha hɛ aur mɛ kalij ja reha hū.

    He is going to the hotel and I am going to the college.
  - (73) mohen dukan ja reha hê aur mễ uske gher ja reha hữ.

    Mohan is going to the shop and I am going to his house.

# Note the following sentences:

- (74) celo rasteme bate kerege.

  move road in talk will do.

  (let us) go, we will talk on (our) way.
- \*(75) jao rastemē batē kərēge.

  Go, we will talk on (our) way.
- (76) veh bazar cel reha he to raste me usko

  he bazaar move prog. is that's why road in to him

  He is going to the bazaar (with me) so on our way I

  epna gher bhi dikha duga.

  my house also will show.

  will show him my house also.

- \*(77) veh bazar ja reha hɛ to raste mẽ usko epna gher bhī dikha dūga.

  He is going to the bazaar so on the way I will show him my

  house also.
  - (78) meena Chicago cel rehi he isliye sefer accha rehega.

    Meena Chicago move prog. is so trip fine will be

    Meena is going to Chicago (with me) so the trip will be fine.
- \*(79) meena Chicago ja rehī hɛ isliye səfər accha rehega.

  Meena is going to Chicago so the trip will be fine.
  - (80) <u>ager tum muvî dekhne cal rahe ho to kahî rukkar cay pî lêge.</u>

    If you movie to see move prog. are then somewhere having tea will dri stopped

    If you are going to see the movie (with me) we will stop somewhere and have tea.
  - (81) meena əgər cəl rəhi hɛ, to gari mẽ həm tin hõge.

    Meena if move prog. is then car in we three will be.

    If Meena is going (with us) we will be three in the car.
- "(82) meena əgər ja rəhi hɛ to gari mẽ həm tin hõge.

  If Meena is going we will be three in the car.

These sentences indicate that the movement of the speaker/hearer is with that of the surface subject of <u>celna</u>. Thus <u>celna</u> can be interpreted as subject + speaker/hearer [+ GO TOGATHER]. In (74) - (78) it is somehow assumed that the speaker is going to be with the subject of celna up to the destination of the movement.

Thus <u>celna</u> is closer to the English verb 'to accompany' which clearly denotes the movement 'go/come with (someone)'. However <u>jana</u> is totally exclusive of such denotation. Thus it is not plausible to treat <u>celna</u> as a synonym of <u>jana</u>.

#### III.

Keenan (1971:45) points out that a sentence S, logically presupposes a sentence S' just in case S logically implies S' and the negation of S also logically implies S'. Let us consider the following sentence:

(83) meena cel rehi hε. (S)
Meena is going.

In this sentence the following sentence is presupposed:  $\underline{m}\underline{\epsilon}$  ja  $\underline{r}\underline{e}ha$   $\underline{h}\underline{\tilde{u}}$  (S') 'I am going' because in the sentence  $\underline{m}\underline{e}\underline{e}\underline{n}$   $\underline{n}\underline{e}ha$   $\underline{n}\underline{e}ha$  (~S) 'Meena is not going', (S')  $\underline{m}\underline{\epsilon}$  ja  $\underline{r}\underline{e}ha$   $\underline{h}\underline{\tilde{u}}$  'I am going' is presupposed, because we find sentences of the following type:  $\underline{m}\underline{e}\underline{e}\underline{n}\underline{e}\underline{h}\underline{\tilde{e}}$   $\underline{e}\underline{e}\underline{h}\underline{\tilde{e}}$   $\underline{e}\underline{e}\underline{h}\underline{\tilde{e}}$  'Meena is not going but I am going'. It becomes very clear in the following sentences, where negation of  $\underline{e}\underline{e}\underline{h}\underline{\tilde{e}}$  is followed by the negation of the speaker's/hearer's movement:

(84) meena gher nehf cel rehf ht.

Meena house not move prog. is.

Meena is not going home.

(85)  $\underline{\text{hem neh}\tilde{i}}$  cel rehe  $\underline{\text{h}\tilde{\epsilon}}$  we not move prog. are

The ungrammaticality of these sentences indicates that the negation of (S) does not negate (S') (logically implied sentence). It is in this respect different from logical implication because, if (S) logically implies (S'), the negation of (S) automatically negates (S'); i.e. if the (S) 'men are mortal' logically implies that the (S') 'John is mortal',

then the negation of (S), (S) 'men are not mortal' would negate John's mortality (S'). This evidence motivates the hypothesis that the speaker's/hearer's movement cannot be treated as logically implied in the semantic interpretation of celna.

Now we will consider the plausibility of treating it as an entailment. Fillmore (1967) proposes that 'the entailment is unchanged even when the verb itself is negated or questioned or the like'. In the light of this definition of entailment, it appears that speaker/hearer [+ GO] is an entailment of colna. Note the following sentences:

- (86) veh nehī cel rehī hɛ. (negation of celna)
  She is not going.
- (87) kya veh cel rehī hɛ? (question)
  Is she going?
- Both (86) and (87) entail  $\underline{m}\underline{\epsilon}$  ja  $\underline{r}\underline{\bullet}\underline{h}\underline{a}$  'I am going'. Negation of it produces an ungrammatical sentence.
  - \*(88) veh nehī cel rehī aur mē nehī ja reha.

    She is not going and I am not going.
  - \*(89) kya veh cel rehî he? mẽ nehĩ ja reha.

    Is she going? I am not going.

Apparently it seems to behave like an entailment. Morgan (1973:88:89) provides evidence to show that entailment and presupposition are psychologically quite different, and that it is therefore inappropriate to treat one as a subset of the other. Presupposition does not seem to follow from the sentence which presupposes it in the same way as entailment does from the sentence which entails it. Note the following sentences stated by Morgan (1973:88):

 $_{A}$ [John has five children] $_{A}$   $_{B}$ [so obviously he has more than one] $_{B}$ 

B seems to follow from A and Morgan labels it as an entailment of A. Note the following sentences:

\*(90)  $_{A}[\underline{\text{veh}} \ \underline{\text{cel}} \ \underline{\text{rehi}} \ \underline{\text{he}}]_{A}$  she go prog. is She is going.

 $B^{[\underline{isliye}]}$   $\underline{m\tilde{\epsilon}}$   $\underline{ja}$   $\underline{reha}$   $\underline{h\tilde{u}}$   $\underline{ye}$   $\underline{zahir}$   $\underline{h\epsilon}.]_B$  that's why I go prog. am this obvious is so it is obvious that I am going.

\*(91) A veh nohi cel rehi A

she not go prog.

She is not going.

B islive me ja reha hu ye zahir he. B

that's why I go prog. is this obvious is so it is obvious that I am going.

B does not follow from A in the same way as an entailment does.

Thus it is clear that this property of <u>celna</u> (namely inclusiveness of the speaker/hearer [+ GO]) can only be explained in terms of presupposition as opposed to logical implication or entailment.

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1 (a) Hindī vyākaraņa: Kamtaprasad Guru: 1937. (b) Hindī Sabdānusāsana: K. Vajpeyi: 1967.

(c) Hindstina Hindi Language Course: V. Porizka: 1963.

<sup>2</sup>Sinha (1972) discussed the following example:

hem samme weha jayege.
We evening in there go will.
We will go there in the evening.

This sentence is ambiguous with regard to the hearer's movement. However, if we replace jana by celna, it does not remain ambiguous, i.e.

hem Samme weha celege.

we evening in there go will.

We will go there in the evening.

This sentence is inclusive of the hearer's movement.

<sup>3</sup>Nuclear verb is a term used by U. Weinreich in his paper 'Explorations in Semantic Theory' published in <u>Semantics</u>, Cambridge University Press, 1971.

In this case I do not exclude other tenses like future progressive, etc., in which colna is exclusive of speaker/hearer [+ GO]. I have

mentioned past progressive and simple past in order to differentiate them from present progressive and simple future. The criterion of inclusiveness is discussed in detail in section II.

SAt this point, whether or not celma is inclusive of the speaker/hearer [+ GO] is judged by negating the movement in the conjoined sentence. If the result is ungrammatical, it is an evidence for the inclusiveness of celma.

This clearly shows that <u>celna</u> is not inclusive of the speaker's movement and thus is like <u>walk</u>, so it can be marked for place but not for goal.

7\*meena cəl rəhî he pər me nənî ja rəha.
Meena move prog. is but I not go prog.
Meena is moving (going) but I am not.

Ungrammaticality of this sentence shows that it is inclusive of the speaker's movement.

 $\frac{8_{\text{kar}}}{\text{car}} \frac{\text{cel}}{\text{move}} \frac{\text{rehf}}{\text{prog.}} \frac{\text{he}}{\text{is}} \frac{\text{per}}{\text{mf}} \frac{\text{meñ}}{\text{I}} \frac{\text{nehñ}}{\text{not.}}$ The car is moving but I am not.

The grammaticality of the neg. sentence shows that the speaker's movement is not included in calna.

9(i) Inclusive of the speaker [+ GO]: Even when the subject of celna is other than the speaker, the speaker's movement is included in it.

(ii) Inclusive of the hearer [+ GO]: When the subject of celna is the speaker, the hearer's movement is also included in it.

The above sentence shows that <u>calna</u> is inclusive of the speaker. Thus we get the following sentences:

- (i)  $\frac{\text{meena}}{\text{Meena}} \frac{\text{Chicago}}{\text{Chicago}} \frac{\text{cel}}{\text{go}} \frac{\text{rehi}}{\text{prog.}} \frac{\text{h}\epsilon}{\text{is}}$ Meena is going to Chicago.
- (ii) meena ghas per cel rehi he.

  Meena grass on move prog. is.

  Meena is walking on the grass.
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# WHAT THEY SAY ABOUT SAY Elizabeth Riddle

In "Global Rules" G. Lakoff noticed that the verb <u>say</u> may take either a <u>for-to</u> or a <u>that</u> complementizer, as exemplified in the following sentences:

- 1. a) Sam said that John was tall.
  - b) \*Sam said for John to be tall.
  - c) \*Sam said John to be tall.
  - d) \*John was said to be tall by Sam.
  - e) John was said to be tall.

He claimed that if <u>say</u> takes a for-to complementizer, it must undergo the rules of subject raising, passive, and agent deletion, and that therefore verbs like <u>say</u> require global conditions on their occurrence. The optionality of certain rules cannot be ascertained until that point in the derivation where the complementizer is chosen. Baker and Brame reject this analysis in their reply to Lakoff, "Global Rules: A Rejoinder." They propose an alternative analysis which they claim remains within the bounds of the <u>Aspects</u> theory, whether complementizers are chosen in the base or inserted transformationally.

Baker and Brame break up  $\underline{say}$  into two separate lexical items,  $\underline{say}_1$  and  $\underline{say}_2$ , as shown in 2 and 3:

say .: 2. Sam said that John was tall.

 $\underline{say}_2$ : 3. a) It is said that John is tall.

b) John was said to be tall.

They claim that <u>say</u> occurs only in agentless passives, whether it takes the infinitival complementizer, as in 3(b), or the <u>that</u> complementizer, as in 4:

- 4. a) \*It's said by Bill that John is tall.
  - b) It is said that John it mall.

Moreover, extraposition is obligating for sayo:

- 5. a) \*That John is tall is said.
  - b) It is said that John is tall.

They compare say with rumor and claim that their syntactic behavior is similar:

- 6. a) \*John rumors that Bill is tall.
  - b) \*John rumors Bill to be tall.
  - c) \*Bill is rumored by John to be tall.
  - d) Bill is rumored to be tall.
  - e) It is rumored that Bill is tall.
  - f) \*It is rumored by John that Bill is tall.
  - g) \*That Bill is tall is rumored.

Their analysis of say holds that no significant difference is tied to the choice of complementizer, and that say may take either that or for-to. In either case, it appears only in agentless passives.

Baker and Brame go on to draw a comparison between be said and be rumored with seem and appear, and they suggest, following Emonds' analysis for the latter pair, that be said is generated as a passive by the rules of the base and that its subject node is empty in deep structure. An it is supplied by the same rule that gives superficial it to weather verbs such as rain and snow. If the subject node of be said is empty in deep structure, there could have been no prior application of passive. They offer the following derivation as typical:

- 7. Empty-Np be said such feats to be most difficult Such feats are said to be most difficult.
  After subject raising has applied, pseudo-clefts and questions can be formed:
  - 8. a) What feats are said to be most difficult?
    - b) What is said to be most difficult is the full gainer with half twist.

They claim that  $\underline{say}_2$  has a more narrowly restricted semantic range than  $\underline{say}_1$  and that  $\underline{say}_1$  only can be used in reporting a single speech act. For example, consider 9 and 10:

a) All of a sudden, someone said that George was turning blue.

- b) \*All of a sudden, George was said to be turning blue.
- 10. a) Someone said in a loud voice that the carrots were overcooked.
  - b) \*It was said in a loud voice that the carrots were overcooked.

The passive sentences are ungrammatical when modified by an adverb. They claim that this follows from the fact that these occurrences of <u>say</u> do not report a single speech act.

What I would like to show in this paper is that both Lakoff's and Baker and Brame's analyses are descriptively and explanatorily inadequate. I will attempt to show that there is only one verb <u>say</u> and that it is generated as an active by the rules of the base. <u>Say</u>'s behavior can be accounted for pragmatically, and the crucial factor is whether its deep structure refers to a specific person or persons, or to an indefinite group of people. I will assume that complementizer choice is in fact significant. (see Borkin, 1973, Kiparsky and Kiparsky, 1971, Riddle, 1975.)

First, I will discuss Lakoff's analysis. Lakoff claims that when <u>say</u> takes a <u>for-to</u> complementizer, it must undergo the rules of passive, subject raising, and agent deletion. But consider the following sentences:

- 11. a) My mother said for me to come home.
  - b) \*My mother said for me to be tall.
- 12. a) The judge said for me to tell the truth.
  - b) \*The judge said for me to be innocent.
- a) The Bible says for you to obey the Ten Commandments.
  - b) \*The Bible says for you to have blue eyes.

The (a) examples above all contain a surface <u>for-to</u> comolementizer with no application of the relevant rules, yet they are grammatical. The (b) sentences are ungrammatical not. because of failure to undergo these rules, but because there is a stative verb in the complement. One possible problem with Lakoff's analysis is that he assumes that the complementizers to and for-to both come from a deep structure for-to, and that in some cases the for is deleted on the surface. At the moment, I can't give an argument that this is not the case, but I'd like to point out that there is no real evidence that it is, either. Archaisms or dialectal variations such as "I want for you to come home" cannot be construed as evidence that there is an underlying for in all infinitival constructions for all speakers of English. The greater generality this analysis affords is gained only at the expense of a more abstract grammar. Note that the only places where surface for-to's are found is in emotive predicates and with the verb say. e.g.:

- 14. a) It's crazy for you to do that
  - b) She said for me to do my homework.

Attempting to partially explain this by saying that <u>say for</u> is an idiom or a different lexical item from <u>say</u> fail because they can undergo conjunction reduction. Green (1969) showed that this as a test for the same lexical item. e.g.:

15. What did your mother say?

She said that I was late and for me to come home.

Now consider Lakoff's examples given on page 1 as 1(c)
and (d) and repeated here as 16 and 17:

- 16. \*Sam said John to be tall.
- 17. \*John was said to be tall by Sam.

16 is ungrammatical because the wrong complementizer was chosen, part of which was deleted. A sentence like 16 needs a that complementizer at some point in the derivation and a tensed verb. Compare 18 and 19:

- 18. \*Sam said John to be a bastard.
- 19. Sam said (that) John was a bastard.

The choice of complementizer is significant, since <u>for-to</u> here implies some sort of control on the part of the lower subject over the action in the complement. <u>That</u> is used to simply state a fact in the complement.

17 is ungrammatical because of the presence of the phrase by Sam. Consider for a moment some pairs of sentences differing only in what shows up in the by-phrase.

- 20. John was said to be a bastard by everyone who knew him.
- 21. a) \*John was thought to be a bastard by Sam.
  - b) John was thought to be a bastard by anyone who ever met him.
- 22. a) \*John was considered to be a bastard by Sam.
  - b) John was considered to be a bastard by everyone who ever crossed his path.

Notice first of all that the grammaticality of 20 is a counterexample to Baker and Brame's claim that say appears only in agentless passives, with an empty subject node in deep structure. Also, it appears that sentences of this type are more acceptable when the agent refers to a person or persons in a non-specific way than when a particular person is named. There is a conflict of focus (using this term informally) in the raised sentences where a particular person is named as the agent. What is, one of the pragmatic effects of raising is to put the raised subject into a position of emphasis in the sentence and de-emphasize the old subject. The focus of 21 (a), for example, is John's bastardliness, not that it was Sam who thought he was a bastard. The retention of Sam in this sentence, even though only in a by-phrase, makes it seem like Sam has not been sufficiently de-emphasized.

One other possible explanation is that the length of the NP following by makes a difference. However, this is not the case, as 23 is just as odd as 21 (a):

23. \*John was thought to be a bastard by Sam, who is that tailor from Hoboken.

Turning to Baker and Brame's proposal, there is a striking counterexample to their claim that  $\underline{\text{say}}_2$  is generated as a passive by the rules of the base and that there is an empty subject node in deep structure. Consider  $2^{l_1}$ :

- 24: They \begin{cases} \said \\ \text{said} \\ \text{that Kissinger is quite a playboy.} \end{cases}

  They does not refer to a specific group of people here.

  This occurrence of \text{say} is synonymous with those of 25 and 26:
  - 25. It's said that Kissinger is quite a playboy.
  - 26. Kissinger is said to be quite a playboy.

We can not use conjunction reduction here as a test for sameness of lexical item because <u>say</u> and <u>said</u>, and <u>be said</u> differ morphologically. However, none of the verbs in 24 to 26 refer to a single speech act, as shown by their inability to be modified by an adverb such as in (a) shrill voices e.g.:

- 27. \*They said in shrill voices that Kissinger is quite a playboy. (they doesn't refer to a specific group)
- 28. \*It's said in a shrill voice that Kissinger is quite a playboy.
- 29. \*Kissinger is said in a shrill voice to be quite a playboy.

Since Baker and Brame point to speech act reference as one of the distinguishing characteristics between the two verbs <u>say</u>, they would have to admit that <u>say</u> in 24 is the same <u>say</u> as in 25 and 26, unless they would want to posit three verbs <u>say</u>. This, of course, would be extremely ad hoc.

I will call the they in 24 "indefinite they", since it is not an anaphoric pronoun referring to a specific group of people. Assuming that the synonymous occurrences of say are derived from the same deep structure, in order to generate 24 under Baker and Brame's proposal, one would have to posit an Active transformation which would change be said to say. They would have to be supplied by the same type of rule as the one which supplies it in 25. Not only is it ad hoc to posit an Active transformation based on only one such example when the already well motivated passive rule could handle the situation, but it also seems rather complicated to say that in just such examples they is inserted as the subject rather than it. If one doesn't assume that the synonymous occurrences of say come from the same deep

structure, one is essentially claiming that there are three verbs say, two of which differ only in voice.

Another difficulty for Baker and Brame's proposal is the construction <a href="People say">People say</a>. Consider the sentences in 30:

- 30. a) People say that Kissinger is quite a playboy.
  - b) For a while, people were saying that Kissinger was quite a playboy.
  - c) What do people say about Kissinger?
  - d) People will say anything.

<u>People say</u> refers no more to a single speech act than do <u>they</u> <u>say</u> or <u>it is said</u>, as shown by its inability to be modified by the manner adverbial in shrill voices. e.g.:

31. \*People say in a shrill voices that Kissinger are saying said

is quite a playboy.

Baker and Brame's analysis does not take care of these facts. The difficulty seems to lie not with the verb <u>say</u>, but with whatever appears as its subject.

Now let's turn back to the sentences given earlier as 9 and 10 and repeated here as 32 and 33 which Baker and Brame offered as evidence that there were two verbs <u>say</u> which had different speech act references.

- 32. a) All of a sudden, someone said that George was turning blue.
  - b) \*All of a sudden, George was said to be turning blue.
- 33. a) Someone said in a loud voice that the carrots were overcooked.
  - b) \*It was said in a loud voice that the carrots were overcooked.

One problem with their analysis is their very assumption that speech act reference is in fact a distinguishing factor between lexical items. One could just as well claim that this difference is due to a property of the subject and not the verb. That is, the crucial factor is whether it is a particular person or persons, or an indefinite group of people doing the saying, and the verb remains the same in each instance.

Notice that the problem illustrated in 32 to 33 occurs with other raising verbs as well. e.g.:

- 34. a) All of a sudden someone thought that George was turning blue.
  - b) \*All of a sudden, George was thought to be turning blue.
- 35. a) All of a sudden, someone proved that George was turning blue.
  - b) \*All of a sudden, George was proved to be turning blue.
- 36. a) All of a sudden, someone claimed that George was turning blue.
  - b) \*All of a sudden, George was claimed to be turning blue.

Extending Baker and Brame's analysis, one would have to posit two verbs prove, think, and claim also.

The application of raising changes the focus of a sentence. In 32 (a), our attention is drawn to the act of saying and how it was performed. The emphasis in 32 (b), however, is on George's blueness. It is irrelevant how it was talked about or by whom. Therefore, it is inappropriate to include a manner adverbial in 32 (b). Similarly, in 33 (b) passive applies, with the pragmatic effect of changing the emphasis from the act of saying something in a loud voice to the actual condition of the carrots. The new interpretation of 33 (b) renders the manner adverbial irrelevant.

Now consider 37, brought to my attention by Georgia Green (personal communication), and 38:

- b) In Washington, Kissinger is said to be quite a playboy.
- 38. a) During the Middle Ages, they used to say the earth was flat.
  - b) During the Middle Ages, it was said that the earth was flat.
  - c) During the Middle Ages, the earth was said to be flat.

37 and 38 show that <u>say</u> can be modified by time and place adverbials in sentences where Baker and Brame would consider it to be an example to <u>say</u>. This is because the information given in these adverbs is pragmatically relevant to the meaning of the sentence. In other words, the adverbial <u>in a loud voice</u> in 33 describes the action of a particular person, and since 33 (b) does not contain a reference to such, the presence of the adverb is semantically anomalous. On the other hand, it makes perfectly good sense to limit the possible world of reference for <u>they say</u> and <u>it's said</u>, etc. in 37 and 38 with reference to place (in Washington) and time (during the Middle Ages), since the actions predicated by those constructions can be described by the adverbs in question without implying reference to a specific person or persons.

By the same token, Baker and Brame would have to posit two verbs <u>laugh</u> to account for 39 and 40. (where <u>they</u>=in-definite <u>they</u>).:

- 39. a) I laughed at him.
  - b) I laughed at him until I was blue in the face.
- 40. a) They laughed at Edison.
  - b) \*They laughed at Edison until they were blue in the face.

There is one problem concerning adverbs (G. Green, J. Morgan, personal communication) for which I can offer only a very tentative explanation. Consider 41 and 42:

- 41. \*Kissinger is said in Washington to be quite a playboy.
- 42. \*The earth was said during the Middle Ages to be flat. Placement of the place and time adverbials immediately after be said makes the sentences ungrammatical. The closeness of the verb and adverb in the sentence makes it seem like the adverb is focusing more on the action described by the verb say than is appropriate in sentences where the emphasis is on the raised subject. Since adverb position does make a difference in the meaning of a sentence, as shown in 43 and 44, this explanation might not be too far off.
  - 43. Kissinger is said to be quite a playboy in Washington.
  - 44. The earth was said to be flat during the Middle Ages.

The last difficulty I will discuss for Baker and Brame's proposal is illustrated in 45.

45. It's said that Kissinger is quite a playboy, but I don't know by who.

Sluicing applies in indirect questions after Wh-Q movement to delete repeated occurrences of a clause. 45 can only have come from something like 46:

46. Somebody says that Kissinger is quite a playboy, but I don't know wh-someone says that Kissinger is quite a playboy.

Even if one posited <u>say</u> as a passive in deep structure in both clauses, how would one explain the occurrence of <u>who</u> if the subject node in deep structure were empty? If one tried to claim that <u>say</u> in the clause with <u>who</u> was <u>say</u> and allowed a deep structure subject, and that the other <u>say</u> was <u>say</u>, generated as a passive with no deep structure subject, and a separate lexical entry besides, one would have to allow incredibly sloppy identity between the two clauses to delete the "repeated occurrence." This seems ad hoc to say the least, and as pointed out before, one of the tests for the same lexical entry is whether or not a second occurrence of a lexical item can be reduced under identity with the first.

The following sentences might seem to pose a difficulty for the claim that there is only one verb <u>say</u> with respect to the reduction test:

47. \*They say Nixon is guilty, but I don't know who.

48. They say Nixon is guilty, but I don't know who exactly says so is saying it.

However, I think that the difficulty here is that perceptual confusion results from the use of they, which is homophonous with the they which refers to a specific group of people, and whose use in such a sentence would be contradictory. The addition of the extra words in 48 helps to clear this up.

In summary, the point of this paper is that the difference in behavior between the so-called two verbs <u>say</u> actually stems from pragmatic facts about the subject rather than from a property of the verb. There is no more reason to posit two verbs <u>say</u> than two verbs <u>think</u>, <u>claim</u>, or <u>laugh</u>.

One final note of interest is that in languages as diverse as French, Thai, German, Latvian, and Crow, the same form is used for  $\underline{say}$  in both the  $\underline{X}$   $\underline{says}$  and  $\underline{it}$   $\underline{is}$   $\underline{said}$  constructions. e.g.:

49.	French	a) Jean dit	John says
		b) on dit	it is said
			(lit. one says)
	Thai	a) Aporn waâ	Aporn says
		b) ráw waâ	it is said
			(lit. they say)
	German	a) Hans sagt	Hans says
		b) Mann sagt	it is said
			(lit. one says)
	Latvian	a) Janis saka	John says
		b) saka	it is said
			(lit. say-no subj.)

Crow

a) k-ui

say-plural

b) k-ui

it is said
(lit. say-plural)

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### SUBJECT-RAISING--A UNITARY RULE?

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In this paper I shall discuss some of the various positions linguists have taken on the issue of whether or not subject-raising into subject and object positions is a unitary rule. I shall argue that there is no convincing evidence for an a priori unitary formulation of subject-raising into both subject and object positions as a single rule, and shall bring some evidence from Persian for the justification of separate rules for the processes of subject-raising into subject and object positions.

Subject-raising is a transformational process that derives a surface structure like:

- 1) I believe Jean to be ridiculous.
  in which "Jean" is the direct object of the matrix verb "believe", from sentence 2) in which "Jean" is the subject of the complement clause:
- 2) I believe (that) Jean is ridiculous.

  There is enough evidence to establish the derivational (or trans-derivational) relationship between the sentences. I shall not go into this in any detail, as Paul Postal has treated this subject rather exhaustively in On Raising. In any case, the rule of subject-raising has taken out the subject of the object complement "Jean is ridiculous" and raised it into the position of direct object of the matrix verb. One test to acertain the derived objecthood of "Jean" in 1) is the passive transformation which promotes a direct object into subject position within a clause:
- 3) Jean is believed to be ridiculous.

  Postal, in the above mentioned work gives scores of sound arguments justifying the claim for the derived objecthood of the underlying subject of the
  embedded object complement via the rule of subject-raising for English.

The rule of subject-raising also operates on underlying structures such as:

- 4) [John will win] is likely.

  to move "John" the subject of the subject complement up to become the subject of the higher matrix verb "is likely":
- 5) John is likely to win.

  The rest of the complement is extraposed to the end of the sentence.

The process(es) of subject-raising into subject and object-positions are usually optional, and are governed by the matrix verb. In English subject

raising into object position is governed by transitive verbs such as "want", "believe", "expect", and "consider", all of which take object complements. "Consider" is an example of a verb governing obligatory subject-raising:

- 6) \*I consider (it) that John is crazy.
- 7) I consider John to be crazy.

Some of the intransitive verbs that govern the raising of the subject of a subject complement into the higher S to become its subject are "seem", "turn out", "appear", "happen", and "be likely". Subject-raising is obligatory if the higher verb is "tend" or "begin":

- 8) \*That John is helpful tends.
- 9) \*It tends that John is helpful. (where extraposition has applied)
- 10) John tends to be helpful.

Rosenbaum (1967) discusses the transformational processes involved in raising the subject IP of a complement S into the matrix S. He presents an analysis in which a rule he calls "pronoun replacement" operates to lift the subject IP of the complement of the matrix verb into the higher S to replace the "it" pronoun and to assume its grammatical role, subject or object, whatever the case may be. I shall not address myself to the issue of whether there is any justification at all for an underlying "it" pronoun, since it is irrelevant to the discussion. I shall likewise ignore the issue of whether complementizer choice in English is relevant to the process of subject-raising, and if so, how that relation is to be accounted for. The "pronoun replacement" rule, as Rosenbaum presents it, would operate on an underlying structure like:

11) I believe [Jean is ridiculous].
to generate the surface structure in sentence 1).

Rosenbaum didn't work out the details of his "pronoun-replacement" rule, but he viewed subject-raising into both subject and object positions as cases of the same syntactic process, and therefore proposed a single rule to capture that process. Since Rosenbaum was working in a syntactic framework that was structurally oriented, where grammatical relations were captured in terms of precedence and dominance relations, he needed an identical structural description for subject-raising into both positions. To do this he had to "manipulate" the syntactic underlying structure of a S with a subject complement, so that the complement would appear after the matrix verb, and contribute

towards the uniformity of structural description he was short of. He achieved this by proposing that some extraposition rule apply prior to subject-raising, moving the subject complement after the matrix verb. In the case of subject-raising into object position this rule of extraposition would not affect the linear order of the sentence—that is to say it applies vacuously. Thus in this system:

- 12) D. S.: It [Bill broke his leg] happened.
- 13) Extraposition: It happened [Bill broke his leg].
- 14) Subject-raising: Bill happened to break his leg.

Rosenbaum's ad hoc positing of "it" in the D. S. and his "engineered" ordering of the extraposition rule before subject-raising, and thereby implying that extraposition is cyclic, does not even succeed in producing a neat and elegant formulation of the process(es) of raising into both positions as a single unitary rule. Within a framework that assumes an S.V.O. underlying order for English, the difference in the structural characterization and linear positions of the two IP positions into which the subject of the complement could be raised, namely that subject  $\equiv$  (IP; S) usually appearing before the verb and object  $\equiv$  (IP; W), usually appearing after the verb (the subject of a S is the IP immediately dominated by that S, and the object is the IP immediately dominated by the V), would not permit a unitary structural description for the two instances of subject-raising.

Though a single unitary rule of subject-raising could not be easily formulated, the unity of the subject-raising process(es) was not seriously questioned or investigated by linguists until lately. I am not saying at this point that the failure or difficulty to come up with an elegant formulation necessarily is an indication of something suspicious about the rule. What I am merely suggesting is that in every case of rule formulation, and even more so in the complex, inelegant cases, before reaching any final generalization about some linguistic phenomena, there are some criteria, both empirical and theoretical that must be considered and examined to make sure that this particular generalization is warranted.

Even as recently as three to four years ago the unity of the two processes of subject-raising was still being taken as for-granted by many linguists. McCawley (1970) took the unity of the rule for granted to such an extent that when he agreed for a V.S.O. underlying word order for English, one

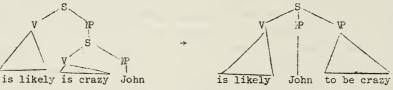
of the arguments he brought up was that a V.S.O. underlying order would provide a more compatible framework for the formulation of subject-raising as a single elegant rule. Postal (1974) agrees with and supports AcCawley on this point. Within a theory which assumes a V.S.O. underlying structure for English, the rule of subject-raising would be formulated as:

### 15) Subject-raising



Subject-raising into subject position, henceforth "A-raising could be formally shown to be a specific case of the general rule given above:

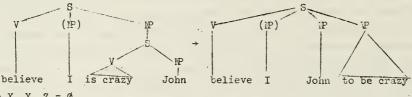
### 16) A-raising:



where X, Y, Z =  $\emptyset$ , the optional (P) does not show up.

Likewise, subject-raising into object position, henceforth "B-raising," could be a case covered by the same general rule of subject-raising:

## 17) B-raising:



where X, Y, Z =  $\emptyset$ 

Then a later rule would invert the linear positions of the subject and the verb, yielding the English surface structure of S.V.O. In spite of the engineered elegance of the rule of subject-raising, I think that such a treatment of the process is questionable. It seems to me, that just as one would not necessarily reject a certain descriptively adequate rule of grammar as linguistically implausible—that is claim that the rule does not

probably capture correctly the speaker's knowledge-simply on the grounds that the formulation of that rule is too complex, one should not accept a rule as the correct characterization of "what is going on in the head of the native speaker" merely on account of its simplicity. The rejection of one rule or the acceptance of the other should be determined primarily on empirical grounds. The fact that by positing the V.S.O. underlying order for English, one is able to come up with a simple formulation of the process(es) of subject-raising into both subject and object positions as a simple unitary rule reflects nothing on either the issue of whether or not subject-raising is a single rule or whether or not the V.S.O. underlying order for English is justified. 2 Each of these issues must be settled empirically on independent grounds. It seems to me that the burden of the proof falls on the one who advocates a V.S.O. rather than S.V.O. underlying structure for English, since he is arguing for a more abstract underlying form for all sentences of English. McCawley brings up as one piece of evidence for the V.S.O. underlying order for English a weak argument based on the "shaky" notions of "elegance" and "simplicity" of an even more "shaky" unitary rule of subject-raising. He then has made use of what Zwicky calls "an analytical leap" to extend this somewhat weak and questionable V.S.O. underlying structure for certain S's of English to all S's of English.

To illustrate my point, I will show that using a V.S.O. underlying structure for sentences of English, one can carry too far the idea of a unitary formulation of raising. Within a theory that accepts the V.S.O. underlying structure for English, one can conceive of a relatively simple rule that could capture A-raising, B-raising, as well as certain cases of "tough-movement' raising as one unitary process, a view not too many linguists would care to adhere to.

The grammatical rule generally referred to as "tough movement" involves an optional process of raising an underlying direct or indirect object of a subject complement to become the derived subject of the matrix verb. The rule is governed by the matrix verb which consists of BE + ADJ such as "is easy", "is fun", "is a chore", and "is a joy." The application of tough movement to an underlying sentence such as:

18) ["unspecified" give the book to John] is impossible.

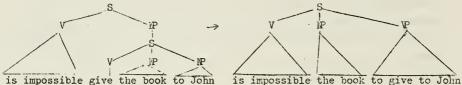
where the subject complement has an unspecified subject that does not show

up in surface structures, would generate:

- 19) The book is impossible to give to John.

  Another surface variant of 19) is:
- 20) It is impossible to give the book to John. In some linguistic literature a structure like 20) is often given as the input to the tough movement rule—a view I consider rather questionable. I shall not go into this matter, and for the purposes of this work shall use 18) as the input to the rule of tough movement. In terms of tree configurations, the structural description 18) and the structural change 13) of the tough-movement rule within a V.S.O. framework is as follows:

### 21) Tough-movement:



where the unspecified embedded subject is assumed to have been deleted (by virtue of "clever engineering" rather than independent justification) prior to tough-movement, thus rendering the formulation of the rule of tough-movement raising for the example above no other than a case of the "so-called" rule of subject-raising formulated in 15).

We see that within a V.S.O. framework, the notions subject and direct object cannot be defined in terms of dominance relations, so that the only device available for defining these grammatical relations are precedence relations. Thus the notions "subject" and "object" are not uniquely defined and may be subject to change with every case of IP deletion, IP insertion, and any other rule involving linear re-ordering such as topicalization, in the course of the derivation of a particular sentence. Therefore, since the notions "subject" and "object" are not uniquely definable in a V.S.O. framework, then both A-raising and B-raising can be captured as one rule by placing an optional IP mode after the matrix V in the structural description of the rule. Likewise, subject-raising-the raising of a subject from a complement--and some cases of tough-movement involving the raising of a direct object from a complement clause can be construed as one rule by excluding the unspecified subject IP of the complement from the structural description of the rule.

Yet, in spite of this "equally elegant engineering" to produce a single rule for all the three processes of:

- 1. Raising of lower subject to higher subject.
- 2. Raising of lower subject to higher direct object.
- Raising of lower direct object to higher subject (when the lower subject has been deleted).

linguists would be hesitant to make the generalization that some cases of tough-movement and all cases of subject-raising are instances of the same rule. Some of the arguments that can be given favoring the distinction between subject-raising and tough-movement raising are:

- 1. There is a syntactic process in English which raises indirect objects to become the subject of the matrix S, that is to say there are cases in which the second or third, etc. IP after the V of the complement clause is raised into the higher S to become its subject. Such cases, though they share many properties, such as rule government for example, with tough-movement raising, cannot be formulated as in tough-movement raising as a unitary rule with subject-raising. Thus for example:
- 22) John is impossible to give the book to.

  is derived from the underlying 18) where "John" is the second IP after the

  lower verb. One cannot a priori claim that the raising of lower direct

  object to higher subject when the lower subject has been deleted is a case

  of the subject-raising rule rather than the syntactic process just described.

  One must check further to determine with which process, if any, it shares

  features that warrant a unitary formulation.
  - 2. Sentences such as:
- 23) John is impossible for me to feed.

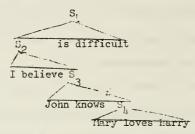
  cannot be captured by the subject-raising rule 15), because where the subject

of the complement is specified, the direct object IP is no longer the first IP after the lower V, and therefore would not satisfy the structural description of that rule.

- 3. Tough-movement or the raising of the complement's object is not bounded to the adjacent clause, while subject-raising is bounded, such that a raised subject is restricted to a next higher clause. Examples:
  - 24) Harry is difficult for me to believe that John knows Mary loves.

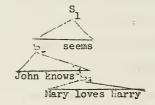
which is derived from:

24)



where "Harry" is raised three clauses up. Subject-raising is constrained to the next higher adjacent clause. Thus if subject-raising were to apply to the following underlying representation:

25)



to raise "Mary" two clauses up, an ungrammatical S would be generated:

- 26) \*Mary seems to John knows loves Harry.
- 4. The rule of tough-movement, that is the raising of the lower object to become a higher subject is blocked from applying to raise dative moved P's even though the structural description of the rule is met, whereas subject-raising applies to raise any subject P regardless of its source, if the description of the rule is met. Thus from the underlying representation 17) one can derive 22) but not:
- 27) \*John is impossible to give the book.
  where the underlying indirect object 'John' had undergone dative-movement.

- 5. Tough-movement raising is governed by a different semantic class of verbs than the ones governing subject-raising.
- 6. Tough-movement and subject-raising involve the raising of a different grammatical relation P--namely tough-movement raises a lower direct or indirect object into subject position, whereas subject-raising raises a lower subject into either a subject or direct object position.

I have just shown that there are certain cases of tough-movement that can be simply captured by a rule of subject-raising for English in a frame-work which posits a V.S.O. underlying word order for the language. I have also shown that such a unitary characterization, though possible, would be incapable of capturing many significant generalizations about the two processes. It is properties such as the grammatical relations involved in the rule, rule government, the change induced by the rule, the types of grammatical processes affected by its application, cyclicity, rule-ordering, boundedness, constraints on rule application, whether global or local, co-occurence restrictions, coreference relationships involved, etc. that play an important role in determining which cases could be considered as part of the same process and which should be excluded as part of another process.

A theory of relationally based grammar provides a linguistic framework in which cross-linguistic universal properties and effects of a rule could be captured, as opposed to a theory of structurally-based grammar, where each rule is defined within a relatively more language-specific structural framework. In a structurally based theory of grammar a language with a V.S.O. underlying order would have a unitary rule of subject-raising whereas a language with an S.V.O. order would have to either make do with an inelegant unitary rule or would have to resort to two rules. Such arbitrariness in the characterization of grammatical process is completely avoidable within a theory of relationally-based grammar. In this respect at least a relationallybased grammar is superior to a structurally based one. Working within a relationally based grammatical theory, one would have a universal framework in which to formulate rules for all languages regardless of their structural make-up. The language-specific structures are imposed after the universal grammatical-relation changing rules have applied. The treatment of subjectraising in such a theory would be less inisleading since the determination of whether subject-raising is a unitary rule or two separate rules is not made

arbitrary depending on the structural formulation of the rule. In fact subjectraising in this system may be easily formulated as a unitary rule, namely:

- 28) The subject of the complement S is raised to the next higher S. Whether the subject is raised into the subject or object position is determined by certain universal metatheoretical constaints or grammatical-relation changing rules, the one relevant to this case being the "Relational Succession Law" which states that:
  - 29) If a term is promoted by ascension, then it assumes the grammatical relation of the host form which it ascends.

Thus a subject which is raised out of a subject complement becomes a subject and a subject raised out of an object complement becomes an object. However, even granting the validity of such a meta-theoretic constraint, one cannot make the claim that all cases of subject-raising are part of the same process by virtue of the identity of their formulation, both of which can be formulated as 28) without the necessity to mention the positions to which the subject is being raised in each case. To establish the claim that the rule is unitary one has to look into such factors as to whether or not both cases of subjectraising are governed by the same semantic class of verbs, whether they have the same constraints imposed on them, whether the relative ordering for each case with respect to other cyclic rules are compatible. Empirical issues of this kind, to me, seem crucial in determining whether or not the two instances can be construed as part of the same rule. On methodological grounds one can claim that the similarity of grammatical processes, formal and/or in their pragmatic effects, does not in itself call for the collapse of the process into one grammatical rule. Further independently motivated evidence should be provided in order to justify each a unitary formulation.

In the case of subject-raising it is true that both the A-raising and B-raising processes:

- 1. Involve the raising of a subject from a lower  $\ensuremath{\mathbb{S}}$
- 2. Are cyclic
- 3. Are bounded to the next adjacent S
- 4. Have either verb-less or infinitival complements in the surface output.
- 5. Are governed.
- 6. Presuppose the raised subject to be a contemporary of its derived clausemate—a IP of the matrix sentence. (This observation has been mady by Postal, 197h).

However, a listing of the similarities without locking for the dissimilarities involves as much of a "lie" as "telling part of the truth." In order to get a complete picture, one must not overlook the dissimilarities which include the following differences between the processes of A-raising and B-raising:

- They involve different out-put grammatical relations, namely in A-raising a subject → subject, and in B-raising a subject →object.
- 2. They are governed by verbs from different semantic classes. B-raising is governed by transitive verbs taking object complements and A-raising is governed by intransitive verbs, taking subject complements.
- 3. In English A-raising is always accompanied by linear extraposition, while B-raising is not. I will not go into the issue of whether it is justified to include extraposition as part of the A-raising rule.
- 4. They have different ordering relations with other rules within the cycle. Contrary to B-raising there is no evidence that A-raising needs to be ordered, intrinsically or extrinsically, relative to passivization, within a given cyclic S. Traditional transformational grammar treats B-raising as intrinsically ordered before passivization within the same cyclic Si:
- 30) D.S.: [I believe [John is a thief]]
- 31) B-raising: [I believe John to be a thicf] S<sub>i</sub>
- 32) Passivization: [John is believed to be a thief]
  S,

However, if A-raising is viewed as governed by intransitive verbs taking subject complements only, it cannot interact with passivization, which is governed by transitive verbs, within the same cyclic S.:

33) D.S.: [[John is a thief] is likely]
$$S_i$$
 $S_i$ 

 $3^{l_i}$ ) A-raising: [John is likely to be a thief]  $s_i$ 

In both sentences 33) and 34) passivization cannot apply on the Si cycle. Thus by using the "trick" of having a non-unitary specification of rule-governing

elements for an "allegedly" unitary rule, Transformational Grammar has been able to get around the issue of non-unitary rule ordering of subject-raising with respect to passivization. However, if one is to interpret the traditional Transformational treatment of subject-raising as a unitary rule to imply that since A-raising and B-raising are cases of the same rule, they are governed by a single common semantic class of verbs including all the verbs that take sentential complements from which a subject can be raised, then A-raising may interact with passivization within a cyclic Si. Thus a sentence like 30) may be analyzed as undergoing both passivization and A-raising on the Si cycle if (and only if) passivization applied first, changing the sentential object complement of "believe" into its subject:

Then A-raising would apply to generate:

Such an analysis involves A-raising being governed by the same higher verbs as B-raising, the example used in this case being the verb "believe." I will not go into the complications such a view might involve, but it would be sufficient to say that even granted that no complications are involved, one could not motivate a unitary formulation for the two processes of raising using this latter interpretation of a unitary governing class of verbs for both processes. Such an interpretation ends up, at its best, provided that it makes the claim that all sentences with the structure of 36) undergo passivization prior to A-raising within the cycle, with an equally indeterminate position as that of the old interpretation. In either interpretation it is only one of the two processes of subject-raising that interacts with the rule of passivization within a given cycle, and that is ordered with respect to it, so that the non-interacting subject-raising process would vacuously "take on" the other's ordering, without having the potential to conflict with it. Though I admit that this fact does not render subject-raising a non-unitary rule, I am sure it would be invalid to make a claim to the effect that the rule of subject-raising is unitarily ordered before passivization, so that a unitary formulation of the rule is at least partially motivated. At its worst, this new interpretation may end up with conflicting rule ordering between each case of the two processes of raising with respect to passivization.

If one makes the claim that in all sentences with the structure of 36) the order of passivization with respect to subject-raising within the Si cycle is optional, then both analyses are possible. however, such a position would involve the following intrinsic ording within the cycle:

- 37) 1. B-raising, 2. Passivization, 3. A-raising again strongly indicating that B-raising and A-raising are individual rules separated in the cycle by an intervening passivization rule.
- 5. The types of grammatical processes effected by them are distinct. B-raising is motivated in the most part in order to explain why rules such as reflexivization and passivization, for example, that ordinarily do not apply across a clause boundary and whose operation is limited within the clause, exceptionally apply across a clause boundary in some cases:
  - 38) D. S.: John, believed [#he, was a fool#].
  - 39) Reflexivation: "John, believed" himself, was a fool
  - 40) B-raising: John, believed him, to be a focl.
- 40) then undergoes obligatory reflexivization to produce the grammatical:
- 41) Reflexivization: John believed himself to be a fool. for the has been moved up to become the clausemate of "John" to which it is coreferent, so that the structural description of reflexivization is met.
  - 42) D. S.: People believed [ John was a fool #].
  - 43) Passivization: "John was believed # was a fool #.
  - 44) B-raising: People believed John to be a fool.
- 45) Passivization: John was believed to be a fool.

  The structural description for passivization is met by 44) since "John" had been moved up to become the clausemate of "people".

Lowever, A-raising does not have this type of effect on derivations. Rather, A-raising explains a different type of exceptions, where certain constituents that ordinarily occur in the immediate environment of the first V in a P sequence do not occur in the immediate environment of an A-raising verb if it happens to be the first V in a P sequence, but rather occur in the corresponding immediate environment (in front of or after) of the following V--behaving as if the A-raising verb were "invisible" to those distribution processes. Examples of exceptions to regular distributions of constituents in which A-raising verbs intervene involve processes such as "there"-- insertion quantifier float, and discontinuity of idioms. All

these cases motivate A-raising by explaining that the seeming "invisibility" of the A-raising verb in certain phrases and structures is due to its exclusion from the P, as a higher verb, not present in the S in which "there"-- insertion, quantifier float, or the idiom occurs:

- 46) D.S.: [A fly is in my soup] seems.
- 47) "There"--insertion: [There is a fly in my soup] seems.
- 48) A-raising: There seems to be a fly in my soup.
- 46) meets the structural description of "there"-insertion, since "seem" does not belong to the same clause in which "there"-insertion applies to insert "there" in place of an indefinite IP which it moves to the right of the verb BE.
  - 49) D.S.: [Bach of them left separately] seems.
  - 50) Quantifier-float: [They each left separately] seems.
  - 51) A-raising: They seem to each have left separately.
- 49) meets the structural description of quantifier float, since "seem" does not belong to the same clause in which quantifier float has applied, deleting the preposition "of" and moving the quantifier to the right of the NP up to the verb "left" (unless the verb is a finite form of BE).
  - 52) D.S.: [Illness struck him in his last days] seems.
- 53) A-raising: Illness seems to have struck him in his last days. "Illness strikes someone" is an idiom, so that unless "seem" is introduced into the idiom via A-raising, one would be claiming that "illness seems to strike someone" is another idiom, listed separately in the lexicon of the language.
- 6. In some languages either one or each of A-raising and B-raising is subject to different constraints. If in a certain language there are different constraints imposed on different cases of a rule application, then the unity of the rule is suspect. Szamosi (1973) argues that A-raising and B-raising are to be construed as two separate processes. He shows that in French and Hungarian subject-raising from object complements is subject to certain constraints that do not hold for subject-raising from subject complements, namely that in these languages the subject of an object complement, as opposed to that of a subject complement, may be raised if and only if the predicate of the complement does not contain a verb:
  - 54) A-raising: Robert semble (être) intelligent.
  - 55) B-raising: On considère Robert (\*être) intelligent.

- 56) A-raising: Robert semble avoir réussi à ses examens.
- 57) B-raising: "On considère Robert avoir réussi à ses examens. Whether one would want to claim that there is an obligatory "to be" (copula) deletion after B-raising in the case of 55) or to agree with the implications of Szamosi's formulation of the constraint on the operation of B-raising in French (and Mungarian) that B-raising operates on subjects of object complements whose predicates are vero-less -- the implication being that either there is no copula in the complement clause in the D.S. or that the copula is deleted at a stage in the derivation prior to B-raising--is another interesting issue which is of no direct relevance to our discussion. Before I go on, however, I would like to mention that the latter position allows a more general formulation of the constraint on B-raising to cover both types of cases as in 55) and 57). In any case, the effect of both accounts is the same, namely that in French sentences B-raised objects and "verbal" complements (by "verbal" I mean "verb-containing") cannot co-occur. The fact that the postulating of this type of a constraint on A-raising is not warranted points to the need for the separation of the two rules of subjectraising in the grammar. Furthermore, and I think, cleverly, Szamosi shows that since the same restriction holds for the passive version of the sentences with B- raised objects:
  - 58) Robert est consideré (\*être) intelligent.
  - 59) \*Robert est consideré avoir réussi à ses examens.

This generalization can be captured by relating the passive sentences to their respective active paraphrases, which have the same distribution of grammaticality. However, this correspondence in grammaticality between the active and the passive sentences is lost if one is to account for Araising and B-raising by a single unitary rule of subject-raising. In the case of a unitary rule of subject-raising "considère" would be able to trigger A-raising as well as B-raising so that 62) could be possibly derived in two ways. The more "accepted" derivation has B-raising apply to the D.S. 60) raising "Robert" to become the direct object of the matrix S as in 55) which, in turn, undergoes passive, making 'Robert" the subject of the sentence in 62). However, one could not rule out the second derivation which would have passivization apply to change the sentential object complement into a subject complement from which a subject would be raised.

D.S.: 60) On considère [Robert (est) intelligent.]

Passivization: 61) [Robert (est) intelligent] est consideré.

A-raising: 62) Robert est considéré (#être) intelligent.

Besides its failure to rule out one of two possible derivations, a unitary formulation of subject-raising would allow for an analysis in which 62) is derived via passive and A-raising. This latter analysis would be undersirable, since to be able to account for the ungrammaticality of:

63) \*Robert est considéré être intelligent.

one would have to claim that it is a property of the verb "considère" not
to allow subject-raising from complements with verbal predicates. Such a
position implies that it is an accident that all and the only such exceptional
matrix verbs consist of the object-embedding verbs. But to separate subjectraising into A-raising and B-raising would restrict A-raising to be governed
by verbs which take subject complements, and thus would automatically
establish the intrinsic ordering of B-raising before passivization in the
cycle. In such an account only one derivation is possible and the uncrammaticality of the passive sentence with B-raised objects and complements
with verbal predicates would be explained by the general constraint on the

In the rest of this paper I shall bring up evidence of this latter type--namely the difference in the language-specific constraints on the two rules of raising--in order to establish more firmly the position that A-raising and B-raising should be construed as two separate rules. for this purpose I shall use Persian. But before I do so, I would like to justify the A-raising and B-raising rules for Persian.

application of B-raising, which is motivated on independent grounds.

Persian is a S.O.V. language. Evidence for A-raising in this language comes from sentences such as:

'It seems to me that Parvix is mad.'

whose subject complement has undergone obligatory extraposition. The deep structure for 64) is of the form:

Other syntactic surface variants of the above deep structure are:

66) parviz divane benazaram miresad
Parviz mad seems to me.

'Parviz seems to me to be mad.'

67) parviz benazaram miresad (ke) divane \[
\begin{array}{c} \alpha \text{sod} \\ \bar{basad} \end{array}
\]

Parviz seems to me (that) mad \[
\begin{array}{c} \text{is} \\ \begin{array}{c} \text{became} \\ \begin{array}{c} \text{became} \\ \text{be} \text{(subjunctive)} \end{array}
\]

'Parviz seems to me to be mad.'

"Parviz" has become the matrix subject in 66) and 67), thus triggering agreement in the matrix verb "miresad" which ends with -ad, the third person singular ending. If "Parviz" is replaced by a plural compound subject "Parviz and Bijan" the verb would take the third person plural suffix -and:

- 69) parviz-ve-bijan divane benazaram miresand
  Parviz and Bijan mad seem to me
  'Parviz and Bijan seem to me to be mad.'
- 69) parviz-ve-bijan benazaram miresand (ke) divane sodand bašand bašand became Parviz and Bijan seem to me (that) mad became be(subjunctive)

'Parviz and Bijan seem to me to be mad.'

Notice that if the complement retains the verb, it must be extraposed, and the complementizer ke'optionally appears as in 64), 67), and 69). If the complement loses its verb as in the A-raised sentences 65) and 68), then extraposition does not apply and the complementizer ke'does not appear. Though I use the terms "retain" and "lose" the verb, I am not yet ready to commit myself to the position that the verbal element was underlyingly present in the deep structure, though I do strongly suspect that it is a fairly reasonable analyse. Also it may be of interest to note at this point that the non-subjunctive versions of 67) and 69) convey a greater certainty on the part of the speaker regarding the statement made about the raised subject:

In Persian a subject pronoun can be optionally deleted:

70) (u) divane sod.

he mad became.

vince the subject pronoun is completely recoverable from information in the verbal suffix which indicates the person and the number of the subject. The question may arise whether sentences 67) and 69) can be considered to have been derived from a similar sentence, but with a complement whose subject has undergone the optional subject pronoun deletion, rather than the A-raising derivation, implying that the matrix subject is basic in the underlying representation, especially since in certain cases the verb in the complement remains tensed and marked for person and number. Such an analysis is implausible, for if the "supposed" optionally deleted subject is not deleted the sentences are ungrammatical:

71) \*parviz benazaram miresad (ke) u divane { sod basad}

Parviz and Lijan seem to me (that) they mad are became be (subjunctive).

Another unlikely alternative to the analysis that subject-raising has applied to generate 67) from 65) is the view that 67) has been derived via equi-iP deletion from:

73) parviz; [parviz; divane { sod } ] benazaram miresad.

Parviz [Parviz mad | is became } j seems to me.

Then equi-IP deletion would apply to delete the second "Parviz"—the subject of the complement clause—coreferential to the higher IP "Parviz". Equi-IP deletion would be followed by an obligatory extraposition rule which moves the complement to the end of the sentence. However such an analysis is unmotivated, for it allows for an intransitive verb benazar residan to take a sentential object complement. The verb benazar residan can under no circumstances take a direct object:

74) "Ali parviz-ra benazar miresad.

Ali Parviz-direct object seems

Mowever the obligatory extraposition of the complement to the end of the sentence occurs as part of the regular equi-P deletion process in Persian:

75) D.S.: man [man bozorg {astam}] mixam

I [iI big {am } ) want

Motice that equi-IP deletion in Persian produces a subjunctive form of the verb in the complement, so that a tensed verb in the complement makes the sentence ungrammatical. This is definitely not the case in sentences like 67). To be able to "conjure up" an equi-IP deletion analysis for sentences of type 66) is even more unlikely than for 67), for besides all the previously mentioned difficulties, it seems there are additional ones, one of them being that the obligatory extraposition characterizing the equi-IP deletion in Persian fails to occur. Another problem is that in 46) the complement is verbless, whereas a sentential complement reduced as a result of the equi-IP deletion is never non-verbal:

- 77) "man mixam (ke) bozorg. (extraposed)
  - I want (that) big.
- 78) \*man bozorg mixam (non-extraposed)
  - I big want.

Thus the rule of A-raising in Persian can be summarized as the subject of the sentential subject complement is raised to subject position in the next higher S. The reduced complement will not be extraposed if it is non-verbal (that is if the underlying complement verb is a "non-weighty" verb BE that is deleted at some stage in the derivation), and will be extraposed with "ke" as an optional complementizer if it contains a verb. The verb can be either tensed or subjunctive. If the complement has a semantically more weighty verb than BE or BECOME, then the verb is not deletable, and therefore the reduced complement is extraposed:

- 79) D.S.: [parviz maryam-ra dust darad] benazaram miresad
  [Parviz Mary definite definite like has] seems to me.
- 80) A-raising: parviz benazaran miresad (Le) maryam-ra dust darad dust dašte fraising: parviz seems to me (that) Mary definite (loves

d.o. marker love (subj.)

'Parviz seems to me to love lary.'

Again here the tensed "dust darad" is used to express a certainty on the part of the speaker about the statement, while the subjunctive "dust daste basad" is used to express that the contents of the complement is the subjective opinion of the speaker.

Evidence for B-raising in Persian comes from sentences such as:

'Mary considers the child to be mad.'

which seems to have been derived from structures that have undergone obligatory extraposition, applying to all sentential object complements. Thus the underlying representation for 81) is:

A syntactic variant of this sentence is:

83) maryam bače-ra divane hesab mikonad(eš)

Mary child-def. mad considers it
d.o. marker

'Mary considers the child to be mad.'

In this case "bace" the subject of the object complement has become the object of the matrix verb, as indicated by the -"ra" marker for definite direct objects which is attached to it. "bace" also takes the direct object position, which is after the subject, and before the verb. At this wint, I realize that I have not given any syntactic evidence showing that the supposedly raised "bace" has been in fact the underlying subject of the complement, though empirical evidence for this can be produced. I have not dealt with the production of such proof in this paper, since I am not so concerned with the formalism of the proof as with the characterization of the process. However, I will mention the well-known argument: the selectional restrictions between "bace" and the verbal complement being exactly those that obtain between a subject and a verb, then to claim that each sentence structure was generated separately in the base by different phrase structure rules would miss important generalizations.

One test for the derived "objecthood" of "bake" is the "-ra" transportation rule. The definite direct object marker "-ra" in a non-extraposed restrictive

relative clause in Persian can be transported to the head P with the deletion of the optional shadow pronoun in the relative clause if the head P is not marked with respect to case, that is to say it is the matrix subject:

84) bače-i-ke diruz (u-ra) didam-(eš) gašang ast.

Child-a-that yesterday (it-definite) I saw (he) pretty is.

d.o. marker

'The Child I saw yesterday is pretty.'

85) "-ra" transportation:

'The child I saw yesterday is pretty.'

"-e"s" is an optional object clitic attached to the verb. This object clitic becomes obligatory if the relative clause is extraposed and the optional pronoun copy does not appear on the surface structure:

86) bače-i- mariz šod ke diruz didam-\*(eš)
child-a sick became that yesterday I saw-it.
'A child became sick, who I saw yesterday.'
te underlying objects, objects derived via B-raising may under

Like underlying objects, objects derived via B-raising may undergo the ra-"transportation rule:

- 87) bače-i-ke maryam (u-ra) divane hesab mikonad-(eš) gašang ast.

  Child-a-that Mary (it-definite) mad considers-(it) pretty is.

  d.o. marker
  - 'The child Mary considers to be mad is pretty.'
- 88) bače-i-ra-ke maryam divane hesab mikonad-(eš) gašang ast.

  Child-a-definite -that Mary mad considers-(it) pretty is.

  d.o. marker

'The child Mary considers to be mad is pretty.'

Another test for the derived objecthood of bace in 83) is the syntactic process of passivization which operates to promote direct objects into subject position, generally deleting the underlying subject, rendering Persian passive sentences agentless. This rule operates on 83) to yield the grammatical sentence:

89) bace divane hesab mi-šavad child mad considered is 'The child is considered to be mad.'

Since the verb in the complement is semantically non-weighty such as BE, one might claim that an obligatory "to be" deletion rule has applied to all complements whose subjects have been B-raised. Such a rule would call for a much less general constraint on the application of B-raising, restricting its application so that it raises the subject of sentenial object complements that are either non-verbal or which contain the verb BE; however, I shall not go into this issue in my paper. What is significant at this point is that a B-raised PP does not co-occur with a verb containing complement. Such a non-verbal complement is not extraposed and has no complementizer to introduce it. Sentences with a B-raised object and a complement containing a verb are ungrammatical with or without the complementizer and irrespective of whether the complement verb is tensed or not:

90) \*maryam bače-ra hesab mikonad (ke) divane sod bašad

Mary child-definite considers that madis became be (subjunctive)

('Mary considers the child to be mad.')

1) "maryam bace-ra hesab mikonad (ke) az otag birun samade ast } (emade basad)

Mary child-definite considers (that) from room out | has come | have come | (subjunctive)

'Mary considers the child to have come out from the room.'

The question may be raised here of whether sentences such as 83) should be characterized has having undergone "clause -union" rather than B-raising.

In a "clause-union"-type analysis one could say that the non-verbal predicate of the somplement S has been raised to form a single compound verb with the higher verb, and its ex-subject has taken up the next empty slot in the Keenan-Comrie heirarchy, namely the direct object position. I will not go into whether or not a case can be made for such an analysis, though I do suspect that such a case would be extremely "shaky," for the distribution of the object clitic '-e's" reveals that the non-verbal predicate divane in 83) cannot be construed as part of the higher verb. In Persian the object clitic '-e's" can appear as a suffix to any of the elements in the verb. Thus 83) has a surface variant in:

92) maryam bače-ra divane hesab-(eš) mikonad.

Mary child-definite mad count -(it) rakes
d.o. marker considers it

considers it considers the child to be mad.' but not in 93), showing that "divane" has not become part of the higher verb:

93) \*maryam bače-ra divane-š hesab mikonad.

Mary child-definite mad-it considers d.o. marker

(Mary considers the child to be mad.')

One point in any case is obvious—that A-raising and B-raising are not unitary in Persian. If one could make a case for clause—union or any other analysis instead of B-raising, then Persian would have A-raising only, thus excluding B-raising from the unitary description of subject—raising. If one is to keep the B-raising analysis, which I believe is well—motivated, then obviously B-raising is different from A-raising. A-raised P's may occur in sentences where the complement contains a verb and is extraposed,,or where it is non-verbal and non-extraposed, but B-raised P's can occur only with complements that are non-verbal and non-extraposed.

There is additional evidence in Persian showing that the restriction on the application of subject-raising, blocking its application for sentences with verb-containing complements, is a constraint on the output of B-raising only, and does not extend to affect A-raising. Lad both A-raising and B-raising been subject to the constraint for certain matrix verbs, then this constraint could have been considered to be governed by those matrix verbs regardless of the type of subject-raising. Consider the sentences:

94) Active: mardom parviz-ra mard-e danešmand-i hesab mikonand people Parviz-definite man-adjectival learned-a consider d.o. marker liason

'People consider Parviz to be a learned man.'

95) Active: # mardom parviz-ra hesabmillonand (ke) marde danešmand-i bašad

people Parviz def. consider(tnat)man-adj. learned-a

('People consider Parviz to be a learned man.')

96) Passive: parviz mard-e danešmand-i nesao mišavad.

Parviz man-adj. learned-a is considered

Parviz man-adj. learned-a is considered liaison

'Parviz is considered to be a learned man.'

97) Passive: \*parvizhesab mišavad (he) mard-e danešmand-i bašad.

Parviz is considered(that) man-adj. learned-a be.

liaison

('Parviz is considered to be a learned man.')

The passive sentence 97) corresponding to 95) is also ungrammatical, the explanation being that B-raising is constrained in sentences whose complements have verbal predicates. An alternative claim one could make is that the constraint is uniform for both processes of raising and is governed by the matrix verb hesab + AUXILIARY in 94)-97), so that 95) and 97) could be derived via passivization on the matrix S followed by A-raising. However this claim is not valid, since there are sentences with hesab + AUXILIARY that undergo A-raising, but which are not subject to this constraint at all, indicating that the constraint is on the output of B-raising alone, and implying that B-raising and A-raising are separate processes.

If so, then the passive sentences like 95) and 97) must be de-

If so, then the passive sentences like 95) and 97) must be derived via B-raising followed by passive:

98) parviz mard-e danešmand-i behesab miayad.

Parviz man-adj. learned-a is considered (inchoative)
liaison
'Parviz is considered to be a learned man.'

99) parviz be-hesab miayad (ke) mard-e danešmand-i { šod bašad

Parviz is considered (that) man-adj. learned-a is became be (subjunctive)

'Parviz is considered to be a learned man.'

Notice that in compound verbs in Persian the syntactic features "active," "passive," "inchoative," "causative," etc. are reflected in the choice of the auxiliary verb.

In Persian there is a sub-group of the B-raising verbs only (not A-raising verbs) that allow raising even if the complement contains a verbal predicate. This freer-type B-raising is governed by those higher verbs whose object complements are factual. B-raising in such sentences results in sentences with either extraposed verb-containing complements or non-extraposed non-verbal complements:

100) D.S.: man [parviz divane ast] midanam.

I [parviz mad is] know

- 101) B-raising: man parviz-ra divane midanam (non-extraposed complement)
  - I Parviz-definite mad know d.o.marker
- 'I know Parviz to be mad.'

  102) B-raising: man parviz-ra midanam(ke) divane bašad verb-containing, extraposed complement.
  - I Parviz-definite know(that) mad { \*is d.o. marker } the (subjunctive) }

'I know Parviz to be mad.'

Notice that the verb in the extraposed complement is subjunctive, and may not be tensed as opposed to sentences which have undergone A-raising.

This dichotomy of matrix verbs into those which take factive complements, and which can occur with either subjunctive or verb-less complements when triggering B-raising, on one hand, and those which don't take factual complements, and which can occur with verb-less complements when triggering B-raising, on the other hand, is limited to verbs governing B-raising only. In fact, A-raising triggered by non-factive, conceptual or perceptual verbs, unlike B-raising, is not limited in application to sentences with any type of complement. For each A-raised sentence, there are three syntactic variations: one in which the complement is verb-less, one in which the verb in the complement is tensed, and one in which the verb is subjunctive, irrespective of whether the governing verbs are factive such as "happen" or "turn out" or perceptual such as "seem" or "appear."

Subject-raising characterized as two separate rules, besides being more accurate, I think, has the merit of preserving the universality of the rules, in that it allows a separate formulation for the rules for languages like Persian, Hungarian, and French in which A-raising and B-raising behave differently, while not crucially affecting the languages in which the two rules behave less differently from each other. Also such a characterization would clarify some problems for English. Szamosi in his article points out the fact that verbs such as "say," "acertain," "think" (non-past tense), "rumor," etc. undergo subject-raising only in passive as opposed to active sentences:

- 103) John is said to be a liar.
- 104) "I say John to be a liar.

He proposes a non-global account for these sentences, the global account being that there is a global constraint on verbs like "say" such that if they trigger subject-raising they must also trigger passivization.

Szamosi's non-global analysis accounts for these data by claiming that "say" governs A-raising. Thus it can raise a subject out of a subject complement derived via passivization:

- 105) [John is a liar] is said.

  With such an analysis there would be an intrinsic ordering of A-raising after passivization within the cycle. This explanation for the benavior of verbs like "say" is less ad-hoc than a global constraint. However, it has a slight weakness in that "say" has to be listed together with the semantic class of verbs that are intransitive, and that passive agent deletion has to apply to the derivation:
- This weakness can be easily remedied by having the impersonal verb "is said" govern the A-raising rule--that is to have an independent impersonal verb "is said," distinct from "say," which takes a sentenial subject complement just like "seem." This resolves both problems of positing a non-uniform governing class of verbs and of leaving "unexplained" the obligatory deletion of the passive agent in the construction. Note that this analysis of "is said" does not necessarily imply that all subject-raised passive constructions have the passive verb generated in the base. Such an implication would be too "costly" in that it would lose many important generalizations.

It is interesting to note that the very "say" in Persian follows the same pattern as in English:

107) Active: "man ali-ra divane goftam

I Ali-definite mad said
d.o. marker

('I said Ali to be mad.')

108) Active: \* man ali-ra goftam (ke) divane bašad
I Ali-definite said (that) mad be
d.o. marker

('I said Ali to be mad.')

109) Passive: ali divane gofte šod
Ali mad was said
'Ali was said to be mad.'

109) and 110) confirm that in fact passivization and A-raising nave applied in that order rather than B-raising and passivization, since there is no constraint on the form of the complement, which can be non-verbal, tensed, or subjunctive, just as in all other cases of A-raising. We saw that Persian has convincing examples justifying the application of passivization prior to A-raising in some cases and of B-raising prior to passivization in others. Such an ordering suggests that A-raising and B-raising should be formulated as separate rules.

The different constraints-type argument for separate rules of subject-raising does not seem to be appropriate for English. Ann Borkin (1973) suggests that for B-raised sentences of English, the process of "to be"--deletion is governed by the matrix verb, namely that the matrix verbs from the semantic class expressing non-factive cognitive perceptions, opinions, or experience allow "to be" deletion:

- 111) I consider Harriet (to be) coarse and unfeeling.
- 112) I know Harriet to be coarse and unfeeling.
- 113) \*I know Harriet coarse and unfeeling.

We see from 113) that factive verbs do not allow "to be" deletion. If subject-raising (both A-raising and B-raising) were one rule, then A-raising verbs would also trigger such a dichotomy of factual vs. perception verbs, such that "seem" and "appear" being non-factive verbs, expressing one's judgement or perception should allow "to be"-deletion:

- 114) John seems (to be) happy.
- 115) John appears (to be) happy.

"Happen" being factive should not allow "to be"-deletion:

- 116) John happened to be sick.
- 117) \*John happened sick.

Here we have seen that the English data is somewhat "deceptive," for unlike the Persian or French data, it shows that the constraints on A-raising and B-raising are uniform, so that one is led to believe, when depending largely on the English data, that the rule of subject-raising is

unitary. This also shows that by drawing too heavily from one single language when making cross-linguistic characterizations, one may not be aware of the language-specific pecularities of the rule, which must be extracted from its formulation.

What I was trying to say in this paper is that one could not make any claims about the unity of raising, or for that matter any rule, unless having investigated the issue empirically. It is true that there are several points in favour of A-raising and B-raising being caputred in one rule. However one is to weigh the evidence for and against the unitary treatment to see which seems to be less ad-hoc and captures the more significant generalizations, though both seem to be in accordance with the data. Also, since subject-raising is found in a great number of languages, one should look into its behavior in other languages and draw implications from them as well. To me, it seems that, in general, given certain dissimilarities between two syntactic processes, the burden of the proof should fall, on the most part, on the shoulders of the linguist who claims that despite the differences a unitary rule for the processes more significantly captures the generalizations. I don't want to sound conclusive (for I have not investigated the matter exhaustively enough), but I think that until the need for a unitary formulation for subject-raising should be demonstrated for all languages that have subject-raising, for reasons I have brought up in this paper, subject-raising should best be captured as two separate operations. Such a position is likely to take linguistics a step closer to universal cross-linguistically significant generalizations about the processes.

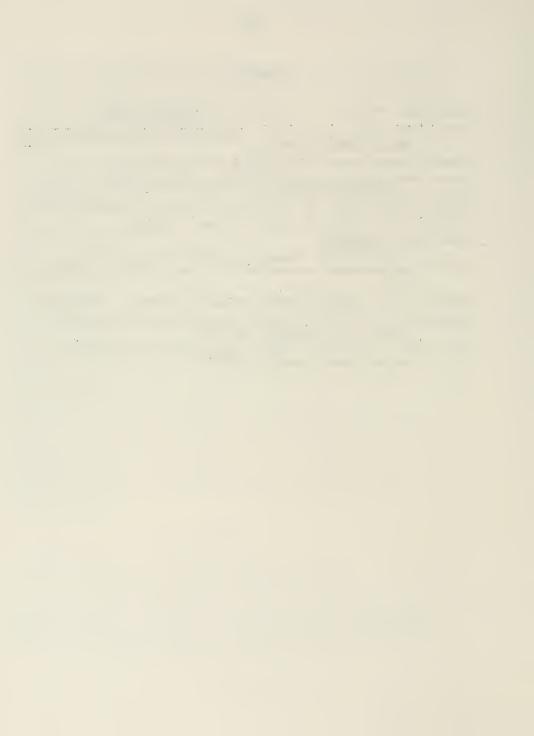
### FOOTNOTES

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<sup>2</sup>It was brought to my attention by Georgia Green that Arlene Berman in a recent article "On V.S.O. Hypothesis" which appeared in <u>Linguistic Inquiry</u> 1974 makes the same point and brings additional evidence against the V.S.O. hypothesis. It is interesting to note that the same type of criticism was made independently in each of the two works.

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# A STUDY OF PASHTO CLITICS AND IMPLICATIONS FOR LINGUISTIC THEORY. Habibullah Tegey

Clitics and their behavior in Pashto<sup>1</sup> constitute a rather complex phenomenon that has not yet been studied. The present paper will attempt to treat the more basic and important aspects of this problem.

The paper potentially serves at least three functions. First, it offers a description of Pashto clitics, a description which has been totally lacking and which is sorely needed, for pedagogical purposes, for example, Afghanistan being a bilingual country utilizing both Persian and Pashto. Secondly, such a description of the behavior of clitics in Pashto adds another piece of data to the rather meager amount of information available in linguistic literature about clitics in languages where the clitics move to a certain position in the sentence and where they occur in a fixed order. Finally, certain of the observations made here have implications for linguistic theory iteslf. In particular, the various interactions between phonology and syntax2 indicate that phonology and syntax do have relevance for one another and that a strict separation of phonological from syntactic processes is not possible. In fact, it will be seen that the usual assumptions of current linguistic theory that phonological processes apply after syntactic ones and that syntactic (transformational) rules need make no reference to phonological information cannot be maintained. Moreover, certain points in Perlmutter's explanation of the fixed order pf clitics either do not hold or stand in need of modification.

The paper is divided into six sections. The first section will present a brief overview of Pashto clitics, which is necessary before proceeding to the other sections. The second section will work through the data in Pashto for the purpose of setting up a suitable Surface Structure Constraint (SSC) on clitic order. It will also include a consideration of the relevance of phonology for the SSC. It will be suggested that not only must certain parts of the SSC be formulated using phonologically explicit items, but that part of the basis for the SSC may be the phonological shape of the clitics. It will also be suggested that it is due to their phonological shape that certain

out-of-order clitics within clitic sequences do not render the sentence ungrammatical. It will also be found that a single positive statement, such as Perlmutter has proposed as the proper notation for the SSC, is not adequate for Pashto and that some additional statement is necessary. The third section will explore the extent to which a "fixed order of morphemes in a word" kind of hypothesis (Perlmutter 1971:65) is capable of explaining why clitics must be rigidly ordered. The fourth section will establish the Clitic Placement rule, which is of considerable potential theoretical import since, to my knowledge, it provides the first clear evidence in linguistic literature that a transformational placement rule makes reference to stress. The fifth and final section will present evidence that there is a peculiar "Lackwards" (given the usual assumptions of linguistic theory) interaction between the rule of Clitic Placement and at least one phonological rule.

Pashto happens to be a rich source for the raising of such theoretical questions, and of questions relating to linguistic universals, because certain of its verbs are separable and because stress seems to play a larger than usual role.

# 1. Introductory Overview of Clitics

There are two types of clitics in Pashto--particle clitics and pronominal clitics. The particle clitics include two modal particles and an adverbial particle. The pronominal clitics may be possessives, or they may be personal pronouns used as past tense transitive subjects or non-past tense objects. The clitics are given in (1):

(1) Adverbial %0 = indeed, really, of course
Modals ba = will, might, must
de = should, had better
Pronominals me = lst singular
de = 2nd singular
ye 4 = 3rd singular and plural
-am 5 or mo = lst and 2nd plural

Examples of clitics in sentences are given in (2):

xo rAgay (2)a. Tor indeed came. tor b. tor ba rAsi Tor will come. c. tor de rAsi Tor should come. me wəlidə I saw Tor. d. tor de wəlidə You saw Tor. tor е. f. ye wəlidə He saw Tor. tor wəlidə We saw Tor (or) You saw Tor. g. tor - am rAgay h. wror me My brother came. rAgav Your brother came. i. wror de Tor sees me. i. tor me wini He must indeed have seen your k. brother indeed must your brother. ye lidəlay wi he seen

The first and second persons inflect only for number. The plural forms are the same for the first and second person. As noted in (1), the 1/2pl form may be am or mo (when it is the only 1/2pl item in the sentence, as we will see below). The form am is the one original to my dialect, the "eastern" dialect, mo is from another dialect, the "western" dialect. However, mo has been borrowed and is now used in formal and official speeches by educated people of the "eastern" dialect as well; in writing, mo is the only form used. That is, for these speakers, the difference between am and mo is stylistically or situationally determined. mo is the written and "formal" style, and am the usual colloquial style. Since I use am and mo thus, I will treat them both in this paper.

In the literary style (western dialect), the 1/2p1 clitic is always  $\underline{mo}$  when it is the only 1/2p1 clitic item in the sentence. Item (3) illustrates:

- (3)a. motar mo rAwosta We brought the car. (or) car we brought You brought the car.
  - b. Not: motar am rAwosta

When the sentence contains two occurrences of 1/2pl items, the pair is always am mo:

- (4)a. motaram mo rAwostə We brought our car.

  You brought your car.
  You brought our car.
  You brought our car.
  - b. Not: motaramam rAwost3
  - c. Not: \*motar mo mo rAwost∂

In my colloquial style (eastern dialect), in contrast,  $\underline{am}$  is always used whether one or two 1/2pl items occur:

- (5)a. motaram rAwostə
  b. Not motar mo rAwostə
  c. motaramam rAwostə
  - d. Not: motaram mo rAwost0

In both styles/dialects, the <u>am</u> form occurs in two variants: the variant <u>am</u> occurs following a consonant, and <u>m</u> occurs following a vowel. (For the purposes of this paper, I will assume that <u>am</u> is the basic form.) Item (6) illustrates:

The third person does not inflect, either for number or gender. Depending on the preceding segment, the third person clitic surfaces in three different forms. It appears as /-e/ if the preceding morpheme is consonant final. However, if the preceding morpheme is vowelfinal, it appears either as /ye/ or /-y/ depending on the stress of the preceding morpheme. In such instances, when the preceding morpheme is stress-final, the clitic appears generally as /ye/; otherwise it appears as /-y/8 (For convenience and clarity, however, I will use primarily /ye/ in this paper.) Item (7) illustrates the three forms of the third person clitic:

- (7) a. topake waxista He bought the gun.

  b. túray waxista He bought the sword.

  sword he bought
  - c. burh ye waxista He bought the sugar. sugar he bought

If the morpheme preceding the third person clitic consists of a single consonant plus  $/\theta/$ , this  $/\theta/$  plus the clitic reduce to /-e/. (Precisely how the process takes place and what the underlying form of the third person clitic is need more study and will be treated in my dissertation; these questions are not crucial for the purposes of the present paper.) This process or Reduction Pule is presented schematically in (8):

The operation of this process is as presented in (9):

c. \*m $\partial$  + ye gora --> me gora Don't meet him. NEG him see

## 2. Surface Structure Constraint on Clitic Orders

In Pashto, clitics of all origins and functions normally move to a particular position in the sentence, in which position they occur in a fixed and rigid order relative to one another. As Perlmutter has correctly proposed, their fixed sequencing relative to one another cannot be adequately handled transformationally. Some sort of variant of a Surface Structure Constraint (SSC) is necessary to account for their relative sequencing.

This section, therefore, will work through the data of Pashto with the purpose of setting up a suitable SSC on clitic orders. This is not a trivial task, since no one has ever worked out even an ordinary "clitic chart" as has been done in some other languages. And secondly under certain conditions certain of the clitics are allowed to appear out of their normal order—i.e. to violate the SSC. Determining just what those "certain circumstances" are reveals the interesting fact that the SSC is sensitive to the phonological shape of the clitics; in certain instances, if the phonological shape is altered, the filter does not act against them. Thus, it will be seen, certain phonological information must be encoded in the SSC's formulation. These same phenomena will be seen to indicate that a simply formulated SSC

as envisioned by Perlmutter is not adequate for Pashto's data. This section will also consider the question of the <u>basis</u> of the SSC's formulation—i.e. of <u>why</u> certain items are "assigned to the same column"; in certain instances, it will be seen that phonological shape is in all likelihood the cause, the why.

## 2.1 Setting up the SSC

There are various sequences of clitics which never occur in a grammatical sentence. The ungrammaticality of such sequences can be due sometimes to a violation of certain functional constraints on the use of the personal pronominal clitics, which won't be our concern here, or to a violation of the surface constraints on the occurrence of clitic sequences, which will be treated here. It will be seen that the surface constraints on clitic sequences can be due either to the relative order of the clitics, or, simply to thier phonological shape. In this section, I will explore Pashto clitic orders for the purpose of establishing a SSC capable of covering the data.

Let us first confine ourselves to the pronominal clitics. Consider example (10), each item of which contains two pronominal clitics, in grammatical order:

(10)a.	topak gun	me PRO	de PRO	rAwor∂ brought	I brought your gun. (or) You brought my gun.
b.	topak	me	-у	rAworə	I brought his gun. (or) He brought my gun.
C.	topak	đe	-у.	rAword	You brought his gun. He brought your gun.
đ.	topak	am	me	rAword	I brought our gun. I brought your gun
e.	topak	am	đe	rAworə	You brought your gum. You brought our gum.
f.	topak	am	ye	rAword	We brought his gun. He brought our gun.
g.	topak	am	mo	rAword	We brought your gun. We brought our gun.
				Ľ.	You brought your gun. You brought our gun.

The switching of the orders of the clitics will render all of the sentences in (10) ungrammatical. In other words, the sequences in (11a) are grammatical, but those in (11b) are ungrammatical:

Thus the SSC on the relative order of the pronominal clitics can be tentatively formulized as (12):

(12) 1/2p1 1/2p1 lsg 2sg 3(sg&p1)
(This formulation will have to be modified, we will see later, due to phonological factors.)

The order of the particle clitics relative to each other is also fixed. Let us consider them separately first too. Consider (13), each item of which contains two particle clitics:

The ungrammaticality of (19) (e) and (f) obviously has nothing to do with the relative order of clitics, since both orders, ba de and de ba are ungrammatical. The fact is that a sentence with two modals, ba "will" and de "should" would never semantically arise. I assume hereafter that such sequences would have already been ruled out at either the level of semantic representation/deep structure, or by the transformational component. They are obviously not a matter intended to be treated by a SSC.

However, the ungrammaticality of (b) and (d) <u>is</u> due to the relative order of the clitics, since the corresponding (a) and (c) examples are grammatical. Thus, the surface constraint on the relative order of particle clitics is, tentatively, as in (14):

Now let us look at the ordering of the pronominal <u>de</u> you relative to these particle clitics. That is, while the sequences of <u>ba + de(NODAL)</u> logically or semantically cannot arise a sequence of <u>ba + de(PRONOUN)</u> may arise. Consider (15), in which the pronominal <u>de</u> occurs with two of the particle clitics, <u>ba</u> and <u>xo</u>.

- (15)a. tor ba de wuwini Tor will see you.

  Tor will you see
  - b. \*tor de ba wuwini
  - c. tor xo de pezani Tor indeed knows you. Tor indeed you knows
  - d. \*tor de xo pezani

The grammaticality of (15)(a) and (c), and the ungrammaticality of (b) and (d), reveals that the SSC on the order of  $\underline{xo}$  and  $\underline{ba}$  with pronominal  $\underline{de}$  is that given in (16)

Combining (14) and (16), we get (17) and (18):

- (17) xo de (PRO)
- (18) xo ba de (PRO)

So far the order of the pronominal clitics relative to each other and the order of the particle clitics relative to each other has been formulated; the order of the second person pronominal clitic de has also been established. Let us turn next to the question of what the relative order of the other pronominal clitics to the particle clitics is. Consider (20) and (21), which contain one particle clitic and one pronominal clitic.

- (20) a. wror to me rAgay My brother indeed came. brother indeed my came
  - b. wror xo -y ragay His brother indeed came.
  - c. wror xo -m/mo rAgay Our brother indeed came. (or Your brother indeed came.

d. wror ba me rAsi My brother will come. brother will my come

e. wror ba -y rAsi His brother will come.

f. wror ba -m/mo rAsi  $\underbrace{\text{Our}}_{\text{Your}}$  brother will come. (or)

(21)a. wror me de rAsi My brother should come.

b. wror de -y rAsi His brother should come.

c. wror -am/mo de rAsi Our brother should come. (or)
Your brother should come.

Since switching of the order of any of the clitics in (20) and (21) will render all of the sentences ungrammatical, the relative order of the particle clitics with the pronoun clitics in (20) and (21) can be established as in (22) and (23) respectively:

$$\begin{cases}
xo \\
ba
\end{cases}
\qquad
\begin{cases}
1sg (me) \\
3 (ye) \\
1/2p1 (am/mo)
\end{cases}$$
(23)
$$1sg de (110D)$$

Since the relative order of xo, ba, and dc has already been established, in (19), we can rewrite (22) as (24):

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A look at (23) reveals that modal <u>de</u> occurs in the same slot relative to lsg and 3 as did pronominal <u>de</u> in (12). That is, modal <u>de</u> occurs between the two pronoun clitics lsg and 3, as in (23); it comes in exactly the same slot where its phonological twin, pronominal clitic <u>de</u> occurs. (This matter will be discussed further below.)

Making this observation, we can revise (12) as (25):

Finally, by superimposing (24) and (25), we get (26). The surface structure constraint on the relative order of Pashto clitics is as in (26).

This is the final result, except that some revisions will later be seen to be needed to provide for recognition of the role of the phonological shape of the clitics (in slots 3, 4, and 6).

# 2.2 Phonology and the Basis and Formulation of the SSC

There are several indications that firstly part of the basis for the SSC is the phonological shape of certain items, and that secondly the SSC must be formulated in certain instances using phonological items. This sub-section will examine various evidence relative to these two matters. The former point—that part of the basis for the SSC may be in part the phonological shape of the items—has, to my knowledge been largely unexamined. If the latter point—that at some points the SSC must be formulated using phonological items—fits more or less within Perlmutter's statement that the SSC applies at a stage of derivation where the norphemes have been assigned phonological shape (1971: 88). In addition, in the course of this section an instance will come up (not directly related to phonology) which seems to indicate that a single positive notation is not adequate for a statement of the situation in Pashto.

Relative to the question of the <u>basis</u> of the SSC, as was mentioned in the introduction, in Pashto there are some sequences of clitics whose ungrammaticality can be explained only as being due to their identical phonological shape and not to a constraint on their relative order as was the instance with the items in section 2.1.

Consider the items in (27), all ungrammatical, each of which contains a possessive clitic and a personal pronominal clitic in the same person.

- (27) a. \*wror me me wahi brother lsg lsg hits
  - b. \*wror de de wahi
  - c. \*wror ye ye wahi
  - d. \*wror am am wahi
  - d'.\*wror mo mo wahi

My brother is hitting me.

Your brother is hitting you.

His brother is hitting him.

Our brother is hitting us. (or)

Our brother is hitting you. (or)
Your brother is hitting you. (or)

Your brother is hitting us.

Such sequences are transformationally and semantically possible as is evident from the parallel items in (28) which utilize one strong pronoun and one clitic rather than two clitics.

(28)a.	wror	mé mA	wahi:	My brother is hitting me.	
b.	wror	de tA	wahi	Your brother is hitting you.	
c.	wror	ye day	wahi	His brother is hitting him.	
d.	wror	am munq	wahi	Our brother is hitting us.	(or)
ď.	wror	ma mung	wahi	Your brother is hitting us. Our brother is hitting us. Your brother is hitting us.	(or)

Item (29), moreover, indicates that the problematic items may arise in other contexts with clitics.

(29)a.	wror	me	đe	wahi	My brother is hitting you. (or) Your brother is hitting me.
b.	wror	me	ye	wahi	My brother is hitting him. (or) His brother is hitting me.
c.	wror	de	ye	wahi	Your brother is hitting him. His brother is hitting you.
d.	wror	am	уe	wahi	Our brother is hitting him. (or)
ď.	wror	mo	ye	wahi	Your brother is hitting him. Our brother is hitting him. Your brother is hitting him.

That is, items (28) and (29) establish that both transformationally and semantically it is possible for the sequences of clitics in (27) to arise. Since, however, sentences with such sequences are always ungrammatical, we assume that this is a matter for the SSC.

However, the reason for the ungrammaticality of the items in (27) is clearly different from that for the ungrammatical sequences in section 2.1. That is, the ungrammaticality of (27) cannot be due to the items being out of order relative to one another as was the situation for the non-identical pairs previously, because here the members of each pair are identical and switching their order has no consequence. The SSC as formulated does of course correctly predict or describe their ungrammaticalness, since it rules out the occurrence of a sequence of any clitics assigned to the same column in the SSC. But the further question arises of why the SSC rules out such sequences, of why such like-items must be "assigned to the same column" in the SSC regardless of source.

A proposal to explain the ungrammaticalness of items like (27) might be that the two pronouns are in the "same person". This, we find, does not hold. First, a "same person" explanation would be possible only for items like those in (27) where both clitics are pronouns. It could not explain an item like (30a), which is also ungrammatical, even though it is semantically and transformationally possible, as the parallel (30b) with a strong pronoun instead of the clitic de pronoun reveals.

(30)a. \*tor de de wuwahi Tor should hit you.

b. tor de tA wuwahi Tor should hit you.

Tor should you hit

In (30a) one of the de's is the modal "should" and the other de is the pronominal "you". Not only are these two de's not in the same person, but they are not even both pronouns: Secondly, there are some sequences of clitics in the same person which are grammatical, as in (31):

b. motaram mo rAwosta We brought our car.

rAwosta We brought your car.

You brought your car.

You brought our car.

The fact that a "same person" explanation fails on two counts to explain the ungrammaticalness of the like element sequences suggests that their identical phonological shape may be the cause. In the de de instance in (30a), it would appear that speakers "put" the modal de "in the same column" as the pronominal de precisely because of its phonological identity with pronominal de. This view is further supported by the observation that the other modal clitic, ba, precedes all the pronominal clitics; but the modal de occurs after a pronominal, me, and in precisely the same place as its phonological twin, pronominal de, occurs.

This view that phonological shape is indeed the relevant factor to explain the ungrammaticalness of the like-element sequences is further supported by the fact that grammatical items like (31) can be rendered ungrammatical by changing the clitics to alternate forms so as to yield like-element sequences, as in (32)

b. \*motar mo mo rAwosta

The generalization would indeed seem to be that no sequence of two phonologically identical clitic elements is permissible in Pashto, even though transformationally and semantically possible. All such sequences are ungrammatical:

b. \*de de

c. \*ye ye

d. \*am am

e. \*mo mo

Thus, it would seem that at least part of the basis for the columns in the SSC is the phonological shape of the clitics.

Relative to the second point—the question of the formulation of the SSC—data like (30) and (32) indicate, moreover, that the SSC, a presumably syntactic device (Perlmutter 1971:4), has to be stated in terms of the phonological shape of some of the items. First, the only similarity between the two de's which serves as the basis for their assignment to the same column is their phonological shape, and the SSC must recognize this by entering "de" and not "2nd sg" and "modal—de" in its sixth slot. This would give us (34) rather than (26).

(34)

1 2 3 4 5 6 7

$$xo^{10}$$
 ba 10 1/2p1 1/2p1 1sg de 3

Second, there is another inaccuracy in the formulation of the SSC as in (26) or even (34), again apparantly due to a failure to adequately recognize that the phonological shape of the clitics is relevant.

That is, (34) incorrectly predicts that (b) and (d), as well as (a) and (c) would be grammatical in (35):

To capture the fact that (b) and (d) are ungrarmatical (whatever the style or dialect), again, the morpheme shapes themselves must be

entered in the SSC. This gives us as close to a correct formulation of the SSC as is possible in a single positive statement:

In the formulation of the SSC as in (36), however, there is still a problem (not directly related to phonological considerations) which apparently cannot be handled within the framework proposed by Perlmutter—i.e. by a single positive statement. This problem arises relative to the portion of the SSC treating the sequence an am/mo.

Since this problem comes up only in the written style or western dialect, let me separate out the relevant portion of the SSC:

The problem is that if only one 1/2pl clitic item appears in a sentence it is always mo and never am. That is, the item from column 4 and not from column 3 must be selected. The use of an is permitted only when there is one other 1/2pl clitic (i.e. mo) present. Thus, in this dialect we cannot get

but only

Yet, as we have seen, "am mo" must be entered in the SSC to correctly account for items like(35) above. It would seem that a single positive statement such as (37) does not work. The simplest, least drastic modification of the "single positive statement" hypothesis would be to keep the positive statement, but add a Condition 13 to the effect that in this dialect if only one item from columns 3 and 4 occurs, it must be the item from column 4--i.e. mo.

(39) Condition on (37): If only one item occurs from columns 3 and 4, it must be the item from column 4 (i.e.--if only one 1/2pl item occurs, it must be mo.) Thus, the single positive SSC alone, as in (37), is not adequate to account for the data in the written/formal style or western dialect of Pashto.

Interestingly, the necessity that the sequence must be am mo when there are two 1/2pl items in this style/dialect brings up another indication that the phonological shape of the items may be part of the basis for the SSC. As mentioned earlier, in this style/dialect, mo is always used when there is no other 1/2pl clitic in the sentence, as (38) indicated. However, if there are two 1/2pl clitic items, the first must be am (and the second mo):

(40)a. kitAbam mo wAxist∂

b. turam mo wAxista

The interesting point is that in this dialect <u>am</u> appears only when there is a <u>sequence</u> of 1/2pl 1/2pl clitics, and that otherwise <u>mo</u> is obligatory. This observation strongly suggests that the <u>am</u> is used here to avoid getting a like-element sequence. This thus adds a bit more support to the view that sequences of phonologically identical clitics are impermissible.

That observation relative to the sequence of am mo in the western dialect also suggests that probably the reason that the sequence am am is permitted in the eastern dialect is also due to the (final) phonological shape of the items. That is, the am am sequence is actually pronounced as a mam (due to a general syllabification rule) and not as am am: it is not pronounced as a sequence of like elements!

In this section (2.2), we have seen two things. First, at certain points the SSC must be formulated on the basis of the phonological shape of the clitics. And secondly, it appears that the basis, the why behind the SSC may be partly the phonological shape of the clitics. That is, while some sequences, as in section 2.1, are ruled out because of a relative ordering requirement, some other sequences are in all likelihood ruled out because of their identical phonological shape.

# 2.3 Phonology and Out-of-Order Clitics

There is another set of data which indicates that the SSC may be sensitive to the phonological shape of the clitics. These are some interesting instances 15 where the SSC is violated but the sequence is grammatical. What is interesting is that the sequence is accepted only if some phonological process has applied to the out-of-order clitic such that it has been contracted or incorporated into the phonological structure of the host word. Items (42) through (44) illustrate instances of contractions.

- (41)a. dA xo ye wƏlida He really saw her. b. \*dA ye x o w9lida xo ye w∂lide (42)a. t∂ He really saw you. b. \*t+ ye xo w+lide c. te xo w⇒lide (43)a. ze xo ye nelidem He really wasn't seeing me. b. \*zə ye xo nəlidəm xo nəlidəm c. ze (44)a. x∂za xo ye wəlida He really saw the woman. b. \*xeza ye xo welida c. xəzay xo wəlida
- The (a) items represent the version that does conform to the SSC.

  The (b) items with the clitic <u>ye</u> simply out of order are ungrammatical.

  The (c) items are possible because in (42) and (43) a rule of clitic

  Reduction and in (44) a rule of Glide Formation have applied to incorporate the clitic <u>ye</u> into the first segment.

Similarly, in (c) items in (45) and (46) below are grammatical even though a clitic is out of order because the clitics <u>am</u> and <u>ye</u> have been incorporated into the phonological structure of the host word. This incorporation is here due to a general syllabification rule which says roughly 'Divide after a vowel before a (single) consonant'. The (d) items are those which do conform to the SSC.

- (45)a. \*kitAb  $\underline{\text{me}}$  xo wAxist $\frac{1}{2}$  really took the book book  $\frac{1}{2}$  really took
  - b. \*kitAb am xo wAxist\textra{\text{\$\psi}\$ We really took the book.
  - c. kitA-bam xo wAxista
  - d. kitAb xom wAxist∂
- (46)a. \*kitAb de xo wAxist∂ You really took the book.
  - b. \*kitAb ye xo wAxistO He really took the book.
  - c. kitA-be xo wAxist0
- d. kitAb xo ye wAxistə
- medited over the medited over the sent the only difference between the (b) and the (c) items in both (45) and (46) and in (42) through (44) is their phonological shape.

This data is of crucial importance for the theory of SSCs because, as Perlmutter put it (relative to French and Spanish in that case), the "existence of any grammatical sentences in Spanish or French with clitic sequences which (SSC)-86 or (SSC)-121 would filter out would constitute counterevidence to the theory developed here." (1971:61) The (c) items above do represent grammatical sequences which would be filtered out by Pashto's SSC-36. Thus, this data suggests that there may be an inadequacy in the theory of SSCs as developed to date. There are at least two ways to look at the situation exemplified by these data; each poses a (different) problem for the SSC theory.

One might want to say that there is some sort of flip rule, which applies after the SSC has applied, exchanging the order of certain clitics. This proposal has certain difficulties. First, such a rule would have to be more complicated than a simple "flip" and would have to be more like an actual reordering transformation, because sometimes the clitic in question would not originally be adjacent to the xo. Consider (47). The proposal would say that after the SSC has applied to accept (a), a reordering rule applies to convert (a) to (b).

- (47)a.  $t\theta$  xo ba <u>ye</u> pezane You indeed must know <u>him</u>.
  - b. te xo ba pezane

Notice that  $\underline{ye}$  would have to be moved around  $\underline{both}$   $\underline{xo}$  and  $\underline{ba}$ . It seems that a simple "flip" won't work here. A somewhat more complicated reordering rule would be necessary. With that revision, then, the

proposal would claim that the SSC must apply at some level <u>prior</u> to the surface level since a reordering rule applies after it. It would mean a modification of the surface structure constraint theory such that a SSC would really be a 'shallow structure constraint'<sup>17</sup>.

However, there are difficulties even with this revised proposal. First of all, I can't see any other evidence in the language to motivate such a reordering rule. Secondly, it is painfully apparent that such a 'reordering rule' would be applicable only if some phonological rule could incorporate the clitic later. <sup>18</sup> That is, non-incorporable clitics may not undergo the postulated reordering rule:

(48)a. za xo de pezane I indeed know you.

bb. \*ze de xo pezane

(49)c. to me pezane You indeed know me.

d. \*to me xo pezane

Moreover, and more importantly, the two phonological rules in question are elsewhere <u>variable</u> rules: 'Reduction', the rule contracting the clitic <u>ye</u> after a CO, and 'Glide Formation', the rule causing <u>ye</u> to appear as -/y/ on the end of vowel-final words, are <u>not</u> ordinarily obligatory. In slow speech or at the speakers choice, they may not apply and the results are still grammatical, as (50) and (51) illustrate:

(50 a. to ye pezane You know him.

b. te pezane

(51)a. x⊌za <u>ye</u> pezane You know <u>his</u> wife.

b. xəzay pezane

Both the uncontracted (a) versions and the contracted (b) versions are grammatical. But in the instances under discussion here with a clitic out of order before  $\underline{xo}$  as in the (c) instances in (42) through (44), the rule is obligatory: the unincorporated (b) versions were ungrammatical. The relevant items are repeated below for convenience:

(42)b. \*to ye xo wolide He really saw you.

c. te xo wəlide

(43)b.  $*z\theta$  <u>ye</u> xo  $n\theta = 1id\theta = 1$  He really wasn't seeing me.

c. ze xo nəlidəm

- (44)b. \*xəza ye xo wəlida He really saw the woman.
  - c. xəzay xo wəlida .

Only when the out-of-order clitic item is incorporated is the sentence grammatical, even though elsewhere the incorporation rule is not an obligatory one.

The points above strongly suggest that a reordering rule, applying after the SSC, is probably not the correct solution. It is clear that the out-of-order clitics are acceptable only if, and probably because, they are phonologically incorporated into the host word. This suggests the other possible way to look at the data: The SSC must apply at some stage after certain phonological rules have applied. The SSC would not apply at the level of surface structure; it would apply at a stage later than surface structure.

But regardless of which approach is taken, such data does present a serious problem for the SSC notation and theory as conceived to date. Certainly there is a very strong indication of an intimate interaction between phonology and the syntactic devices necessary to account for clitic orders.

The three parts of Section 2 have attempted to establish the SSC for the relative order of clitics in Pashto, and have indicated that phonology and the SSC interact in certain crucial ways.

# 3. Inadequacy of 'Fixed-Morpheme-Order-in-a-Word' as an Explanation for Constraints on Clitic Orders in Pashto

Perlmutter has suggested that a possible explanation for the surface structure constraints on clitics, for why clitics should "be universally subject to surface structure constraints", may derive from the fact that "clitics form a single phonological word with the word they attach to". Drawing on Postal's observation that the morphemes of a word cohere and may not be reordered, he applies it to clitic orders as a subset: "Since clitics form a single word with the word on which they lean, the fact that their relative order is fixed may be but a special case of the fixed order of morphemes within the word." (1971:65)

In this section, I will present certain evidence from Pashto that indicates that the order of clitics is not simply a subset of the fixed order of morphemes in a word. It will be seen that the clitics do not necessarily form a phonological word with their host. I will present evidence that the degree of cohesiveness between morphemes in a word and that between clitics or clitics and their host are not simple equivalents in Pashto. And finally, unlike the order of morphemes in a word, whose order is fixed, the order of clitics in Pashto is in some instances not totally fixed, either in relation to the other clitics or in relation to the morphemes within the host word. Thus, the "subset of the fixed order of morphemes in a word" hypothesis will be shown to be questionable as an explanation for clitic orders.

Before covering these points, however, I want to point out some difficulties even with a point that Perlmutter takes for granted, probably because of the languages available to him—i.e. that the host is a word. Although not a major point, it does seem worth noting since if the host itself is not a word, it becomes less likely that the host-plus—clitic could be a (phonological) word. Let us examine this "host as word" assumption. There are certain indications in Pashto that the segment after which the clitics are positioned is not always characterizable as a word. That segment may be a word, a "phonological" word, a morpheme within a word, a non-morphemic sound within a word, an immediate constituent of VP 22, or an immediate constituent of S, which latter two may be several words long. 23

Consider first (52) and (53) where the clitics me and barespectively have been positioned after long immediate constituents of S. It would seem clear that a long constituent like "de kAbel de pohantun le rayis, mawenano, sagerdano, mamurino aw mustaxdimino na" cannot be considered a word!

(52) de kAbəl de pohantun lə rayis, mAwEnAno, of Kabul of university from president, assistants, sagardano, mamurino aw mustaxdimino no me students, officials and employees (from) I puxtəne wəkre questions asked

<sup>&</sup>quot;I asked questions of (from) the president, the assistants,

the students, officials, and employees of the University of Kabul."

(53) aga jega pə zrə pore sra aw xaysta mAnəy <u>ba</u>
that tall interesting red and pretty building must
de tor wi
of Tor be

"That tall interesting red and pretty building must be owned by Tor."

Moreover, in such cases, it is clear that the host is the total constituent and not merely the last word in the constituent. We know this from the nature of the Clitic Placement Rule--i.e. that a clitic cannot be placed after a segment not containing a stress (see Section 4), and from the fact that there exist sentences where the word immediately preceding the clitic is unstressed. Item (54) illustrates:

- (54) a. tor sara ba rasi
  Tor-with will come
- (He) will come with Tor.
- b. \*wər sara ba rasi
- (He) will come with him.
- c. w3r sara ra-ba -si

That is <u>sara</u> in (a) is stressless, but the clitic <u>ba</u> still appears after it; this is clearly because <u>tór</u>, part of the same constituent as <u>sara</u>, bears stress—as can be seen from the ungrammaticality of (b), where <u>ba</u> immediately following unstressed elements is ungrammatical. Here, then, the clitic becomes a part not af a single word <u>sara</u>, but apparently of the whole postpositional phrase constituent <u>tór sara</u>.

Other similar data suggests further that a distinction (not made by Perlmutter) between "position adjacent to" and "attach" is not really available as an 'out' to save the host-as-word assumption.

To save it, one might try to say that the clitic is "positioned after" the full postpositional phrase constituent, but is "attached" only to the last word--i.e. na in (55):

(55)a. di mA l3 xwA na <u>ba</u> h0m salAm w0r ta wuwAye of me from side (from) will also hello him-to say

"Say hello to him from me (from my side) also.

The problem with such a proposal is that  $\underline{1}\underline{\partial}$  and  $\underline{n}\underline{a}$  together form a word both syntactically and phonologically, since the deletion of  $\underline{1}\underline{\partial}$  results

in an ungrammatical sentence:

(55)b. \*de mA  $\emptyset$  xwa na <u>ba</u> h $\ni$ m salAm w $\ni$ r ta wuwAye
Since <u>l $\Theta$ </u> and <u>na</u> together form a word, saying that <u>ba</u> attaches to <u>na</u>
alone also contradicts the host as word hypothesis.

Thus, regardless of which approach one takes, the host cannot be considered as a word in such examples. The item after which the clitic is placed is not a word, but a phrase or an immediate constituent of S.

3 ut there is a further difficulty. In some sentences the segment the clitic is positioned after is <u>smaller</u> than a word, such as a prefix or a phonological segment behaving like a prefix. In (56) the segment the clitics are put after is a prefix of the verb kenAw0.

- (56) ke-ba-me -nawd I would make (him) sit down.

  In no sense can ke- be considered a word synchronically. Yet, as

  Section 4 will show, clitics are in fact positioned after ke- in such sentences. [This can be seen in brief by looking at (57), in which ba me are positioned after the verb if ke- is unstressed, making it clear that in (56) the clitics were positioned after ke- because it was stressed there:
  - (57) kenawè-ba-me ]

From the above, it appears that the item after which the clitic is placed cannot always be considered a "word" in any simple or direct way.

Perlmutter does at one point use the term "constituent" rather than "word" to describe the host. He probably actually intended it merely as a synonym for "word", but let us see whether the host may be adequately' described as a "constituent" since there were the above difficulties in considering it a "word." Items like (52) through (55) above do illustrate instances where the clitic occurs after or leans on a "constituent", often a node dominated by S, or sometimes perhaps by VP. Por an item like (56), if we accept "constituent" in include as low a level constituent as a constituent of a word, we can also get by. That is, in (56), ke-, after which the clitic is positioned, is a morpheme of the word kenged and thus is a "constituent of a word".

However, there is a difficulty even with the "host as constituent" version if the usual interpretation of "constituent" is utilized.

That is, in some instances in Pashto, the clitic is positioned after a segment which is not even a morpheme. Most linguists would not want to call such a segment a "constituent."

- (58)a.  $4-\frac{de}{d}$  -xist $\theta$  (verb is axist $\theta$ : ax ist  $\theta$  root -past -ending)
  - b. pA-de -cAwə (verb is pAcAwə: pAc aw ə root-causative ending)

The segments /a/- and /pA/- are not identifiable rorphemes, and as such would not normally be accepted as "constituents".

Thus it seems that the item upon which the clitic leans cannot always be characterized as either a "word" or a "constituent" in any usual sense. Both the 'host as word' and the 'host as constituent' assumptions seem somewhat unclear given the data in Pashto.

Now let us examine the more important part of the above quoted suggestion that the clitics form "a single phonological word with the word on which they lean". Let us call this the 'host plus clitics as word' hypothesis. The data in Pashto indicates that there are serious problems with it as well.

First, consider items like (52) and (53) given previously, and repeated below for convenience, where the clitic is positioned after a long immediate constituent of S.

(52) de KAbəl de pohantun lə rayis, mAwEnano, of Kabul of university from president, assistants,

yagərdano, mAmurino aw mustaxdimino na me students, officials and employees (from) I

puxtone wokre questions asked

"I asked questions of (from) the president, the assistants, the students, officials, and employees of the University of Kabul."

(53) aga jega pe zre pore sra aw xaysta mAney ba de tor wi that tall interesting red and pretty building must of Tor be "That tall interesting red and pretty building must be owned by Tor."

And it seems highly unlikely that "aga jega pð zrð pore sra aw xaysta manðy" is not a word. And it seems highly unlikely that "aga jega pð zrð pore sra aw xaysta manðy +ba" could be considered a word either, even a "phonological" word—there would be no difference between a "phonological" word and a "phonemic clause". The constituent in (52) plus the clitic me is even less likely to be a "phonological word". We have already demonstrated above that one cannot really get out of this difficulty by claiming that the clitic is "positioned" next to the total constituent, but is "attached to" only the last word. But, even if one tried, it is clear that something like na-me consisting of two weak stressed elements would in no sense be considered a phonological word.

Thirdly, there are instances where the clitics plus the segment after which they are placed cannot, alone, constitute a word in any sense; rather they are part of some larger word. Consider (59) below. The verb is kenAwd. Pecause the prefix ke- is stressed, Clitic placement puts the clitics ba and me after it. However, it is impossible to claim that ke-ba me is a word because ke- itself is clearly part of the verb, a word, kenAwd.

# (59) ke-ba-me -nAwə

Thus the hypothesis that the clitics plus the item after which they are positioned form a single word seems inaccurate. The situation with (59) is clearly (60) and not (61):

There would be two ways to look at this data. One might try to say that the clitics plus the item after which they are positioned make a "constituent" rather than a "word", since in examples like (53) and (54) previously that seemed plausible; the "constituent" would here, of course, have to be a constituent of a word rather than a syntactic constituent however. That could account for items like (59).

But it could not easily account for items like (62):

(62)a. á-<u>me</u> -xist∂

b. pA-me -cawa

As we saw before, in items like (62), the segment after which the clitics are positioned is not a morpheme and therefore not itself a "constituent" in the usual sense of the term; the best that can be said of  $\underline{\acute{a}}$ -me or  $\underline{\acute{p}}$ A-me is that they are phonological units.

Or, alternatively, one might say that for items like both (59) and (62) the total word, and not just the portion after which the clitic is positioned, is the 'host': Since the /a/- is itself part of the total word axistð, it is clear that me does become part of the total word; that is, in some sense, the total word axistð is the host since one part of it is the item to which the clitic attaches. Similarly with ké-ba me nawð, where in being positioned after the prefix ké-, the ba me become in turn part of the total word kénAwð. It seems that such items must be characterized as instances of infixation, the total word being the 'host'. In these instances, then, the host plus clitic would make a "phonological word".

[We will see later, however, that if me is considered an infix in a me xistð, it poses a crucial difficulty for Perlmutter's 'fixed order of morphemes in a word' hypothesis for explaining clitic order.

See item (66) and footnote 28.]

It remains clear, however, that even if 'infixation' can in these instances be used to characterize the host plus clitics as a "phonological word", in the instances presented earlier in this section like (52) and (53), the long constituents plus the clitics cannot be characterized as phonological words. The 'host plus clitics as phonological word' hypothesis remains in question.

Now let us examine another point which bears on the hypothesis that clitics and morphemes in a word are similar phenomena. There is evidence in Pashto that the degree of cohesiveness between the morphemes of a word and that between clitics, or between clitics and their host, are not totally or simply equivalent. 26

It seems that in Pashto the attachment of the clitics, when once they have come into their order relative to each other and to their host segment, is more cohesive than the attachment of some morphemes to each other within the same word. That is, it is possible to insert certain items such as the negative particle, which is not a clitic, between the prefix and the stem of the verb, a word; but it is impossible for any segment ever to be inserted either between the clitics and the segment they are placed after, or between the different clitic items in a sequence. Item (63) illustrates. Sentences (b) and (c) are grammatical in spite of the fact that the negative particle no has been inserted between the prefix and the stem of such verbs as pre-wot- and ke-nAst-.

- (63)a. tor: pre-wot → Tor lay down.
  Tor PREF-STEM-ENDING
  - b. tor pre- nd -wotd Tor did not lie down.
  - c. tor ke- ne -nAste Tor did not sit down.

However, in (64), the occurrence of any non-clitic element such as  $\underline{n}\underline{\partial}$  between the clitics and the preceding host, or between different clitics in a sequence, would render the sentences ungrammatical.

- (64) a. tor me welide I saw Tor.
  - b. wror <u>ba</u> <u>me</u> <u>de</u> wuguri <u>My</u> brother <u>will</u> see <u>you</u>. brother will my you see

Moreover, in some instances the negative particle is inserted into a verb where the 'prefix' or segment they are inserted after is not a productive prefix or morpheme synchronically at all. An example is (65):

(65) pA- n\(\theta\) -ced\(\theta\) (He) did not get up.

In this instance, the segments /pA/- and -/c/- have apparently been analyzed by speakers as the prefix and the root respectively of the verb pAc- as far as the insertion of the negative goes (-ed- is an intransitive affix). However, neither segment is a synchronically productive morpheme: neither carries separate meaning and neither is used as a prefix or root elsewhere in the language. Thus, the verb stem pAc-, even though it doesn't consist of any identifiable morphemes, is divisible--something can intervene between /pA/ and

and /c/--indicating that the cohesion between elements of such a word is not terribly strong. Recall, again, that with clitics nothing could enter in between them and their host, indicating a strong degree of cohesion.

From the above observations, it seems that, once the clitics have come into their fixed order, the attachment of the clitics to each other and to the segment after which they are placed is more cohesive than the attachment of a prefix or prefix-like segment to the stem of its verb! This alone suggests that the idea that clitics cohere as do the morphemes of a word is too simple.<sup>27</sup>

Finally, let us look at a third point. There is evidence that, even if we put aside the other problems, the "fixed order of morphemes in a word" and the situation with clitics are not parallel. There are data in Pashto which may perhaps constitute a direct counter-example to the hypothesis, indicating that the "fixed order of morphemes in a word" principle is not the principle governing clitics.

Perlmutter says that "if there are two words which contain the same morphemes but in a different order, then the underlying representations of the two are distinct." (1971:65) As already noted above, he proposes that "since clitics form a single word with the word on which they lean, the fact that their relative order is fixed may be but a special case of the fixed order of morphemes in a word." (1971:65) Presumably the "distinct underlying representations" statement should also be applicable to the host-plus-clitics sequences, if they are indeed "words". Item (66) (a) and (b) show that such a formulation cannot be right: they consist of the "same morphemes", they are in "different orders", but they mean the same thing-i.e. there is no reason to suppose their underlying representations would be distinct.

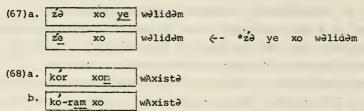
(66) a. 
$$4-ye$$
 -xist $\theta$  He was buying it.  
b.  $axist\theta-ye$  He was buying it.

The clitic <u>ye</u> appears in two different locations—its order in relation to the morpheme <u>axist</u> is not fixed—even though the meaning is the same. (This difference arises due to the fact that Clitic Placement is governed by stress—see Section 4; however, in this instance, stress

is <u>not</u> morphemic.) The proposal that clitic plus host orders are a subset of 'morphemes within the word' orderings is called into serious question.

More telling examples are pairs like the following, however.

These are more damaging to the hypothesis that clitic ordering is a subset of the fixed orders of morphemes in a word because, no matter what the interpretation, they seem to be direct counter-examples. The host element is a single, one-syllable word consisting of one morpheme, and the two versions are clearly instances where host plus clitics, and two clitics, can appear in different orders--i.e. where the same morphemes appear in different orders. That is, if the boxed items are supposed to be "words", how is it that, although identical in meaning, the morphemes can appear in two different orders?



These seem to be direct counter-examples to the "fixed order of morphemes in a word" principle as an explanation for clitics in that here clitics appear in two orders but with the same meaning.<sup>29</sup>

From the three major points above, it appears that perhaps there may be something right about a'host plus clitics as constituent' view, but that a 'host plus clitics as phonological word' hypothesis, as well as a 'host as word' assumption are in question. More importantly, it appears that the principle behind clitic orderings is not the same principle as that which prescribes the fixed order of morphemes within the word. The clitic orders do not seem to be "a special case of the fixed order of morphemes within the word" in any simple way.

# 4.Clitic Placement

Now that we have completed looking at various aspects of the Surface Structure Constraint on clitic order, let us examine the transformational rule of Clitic Placement, which situates the clitics as a group in the total sentence. That is, regardless of what position in the sentence the clitics originate in, they end up all together in a single bloc in the sentence. How is that location determined?

It will be seen that the answer to this question reveals an especially interesting instance of an interdependency of phonological and syntactic factors—an interaction—between Clitic Placerent and stress. This interaction has much potential importance for linguistic theory since, to my knowledge, it represents the first really clear evidence in linguistic literature that a late syntactic rule operates by taking into account certain phonological characteristics of the sentence.

The data in (69) illustrates that clitics (underlined items) can occur in various positions in the sentence.  $^{30}$ 

- (69)a. aga səl kaləna danga aw xaysta pegla me nən byA wəlida that 20-year tall and pretty girl I today again saw
  "I saw that 20-year old tall and pretty girl again today."
  - b. wror <u>ba</u> <u>de</u> <u>ye</u> telwAh<del>0</del> brother would your he push "He would push your brother."
  - c. tel- ba ye wahd push would he push would push him."
  - d. telwAhə <u>ba ye</u>
    push would he

"He would be pushing him."

- e. tor ta <u>ba</u> <u>ye</u> rAwri
  Tor to will he bring

  "He will bring it to Tor."
  - f. war ta ra- ye 1-wri him-to  $\frac{1}{2}$ bring he  $\frac{1}{2}$ bring "He will bring it to him."

- g. der sara wi de
  you with be can
  "(It) can be with you." i.e., "You can keep (it)."
- h. der sara de wi you with can be "(It) can be with you." i.e. "You can keep (it)."
- i. axistə <u>ba ye</u> buy will he

"He would be buying (it)."

j. a- <u>ba</u> <u>ye</u> -<u>xist</u>ə <u>z</u>buy would he <u>z</u>buy "He would be buying it."

In (69), in (b), the clitics occur after the first word. In (a), the clitic comes after a long noun phrase, the first constituent of S.

In (c) and (f) the clitics occur between the prefix and the verb root.

In (j), the clitics occur after the first vowel of the verb. In (d) and (g), they come in post-verbal position. In (e) and (h), they come after a post-positional phrase. But in (f) and (g), they do not immediately follow the post-positional phrase.

Looked at without reference to stress, this situation would appear quite chaotic. However, when stress is taken into consideration, a pattern begins to emerge. It looks surprisingly like the clitics always follow the first constituent or segment in which at least one element bears stress. In fact, it will be seen that no other formulation can adequately state what the effects of Clitic Placement are.

Let us look first at instances similar to (69)(c) and (d) where nothing precedes the verb and where the clitics occur in mid- or post-verbal position. In such sentences, the clitics occur after the (first) stressed segment. For example in (70)(b), where the stress is on the verbal prefix  $\frac{rA}{r}$ , the clitics enter the verb following the prefix. But in (71)(b), where the stress is not on the verbal prefix, the clitics are placed after the verb.

(70)a. zə ba ye rAwrəm I will bring it.
b. Ø rA-ba ye -wrəm ((I) will bring it.

(71) a. zə ba ye rAwrəm I will be bringing it.

b. Ø rAwrəm ba ye (I) will be bringing it.

Such behavior at least suggests that Clitic Placement (CP) makes reference to the location of stress.

In (70) and (71), the stress difference was the phonetic realization of an underlying aspectual distinction (non-progressive versus progressive). This might make us think that CP is here o operating on the basis of the aspect distinction; we might try to say that with such prefixed verbs the clitics follow the prefix if the aspect is non-progressive and follow the total verb if the aspect is progressive. However, there are other pieces of evidence that indicate that aspect is not really operating here in directing the operation of CP. In items (72) and (73) below there is no aspectual difference. In (72), where the stress is verb-initial, the the clitic ye is inserted in the verb. But in (73), where the stress is verb-final, the clitic follows the verb.

- (72)  $\acute{a}$   $\acute{y}e$  -xist $\eth$  He was going to buy (it).
- (73) axisté ye He was going to buy (it).

For these, no appeal to "aspect" is possible. The most general statement to cover both these instances and those in (70) and (71) would seem to require a reference to stress.

Let us look now at sentences which are not verb-initial, such as (69) (h), (b) (e), (f), (g) and (h). For such non verb-initial sentences, it will be seen that stress is relevant as well. The ordinary ordinary situation is that the clitics occur after the first constituent of  $s^{32}$ , whether a subject, object, post-positional phrase, adverb, etc. Consider the examples in (74):

- (74)a. tor  $\underline{me}$  1idə  $\underline{me}$  1 was seeing Tor.
  - b. tór ta me rAwor
    Tor-to I brought I brought (it) to Tor.
  - c. di ta de məlgəri plar xo ba zwanday wi of you of friend father indeed must alive be "The father of your friend must indeed be alive."

- d. nən <u>ba ye</u> wugorəm Today I will see him. today will him see
- e. kəla de wəlidə Phen did you see (him)? when you saw

The following examples reveal, however, that the constituent before the clitic must be a stressed constituent.

- (75) a. tor ta me wuwele Tor-to I told I told (it) to Tor.
  - b. \*wər ta me wuwele I told (it) to him.
    him-to I told
  - c. wer ta wu- me wele <u>I</u> told (it) to him.
- (76) a. pe ca ke ba ye wacawi He will put (it) into the well. in-well-to will he put
  - b. \*pə Ø ke ba ye wAcawi He will put (1t) into (it).
  - c. pa Ø ke wA-ba ye -cawi He will put (it) into (it).

In the (a) items, as expected, the clitic occurs after the first constituent of S, here a post-positional phrase (PP). Notice that the (a) sentences contain a noun or a strong pronoun in the PP in question. However, in a similar sentence where a weak pronoun is used or where a deletion has occurred in the PP, the clitics may not occur immediately following the PP; that is, the (b) sentences are ungrammatical. Instead, the clitic "ignores" the PP and is placed following the first stressed segment of the verb, as in the (c) items. Thus, in non verb-initial sentences, clitics occur after the first constituent of S, except when the first constituent is a "reduced" pre- or post-positional phrase 34—i.e. a PP in which either the NP is a weak pronoun or the NP is deleted.

However, there are some instances which show that this is not a fully accurate statement. In (77), <u>both</u> the (a) and the (b) versions contain "reduced" PPs. Nevertheless, in (b) the clitic occurs immediately after the PP.

- (77)a. dər sara wi de you with be can You can keep (it).
  - b. dər sara de wi (It) can be with you. = you with can be You can keep (it).

Notice that (b) differs from (a) in that it has stress on the PP. The difference in stress here marks the (b) instance as emphatic.  $^{35}$ 

Faced with this data, we have two choices. We could try to say that in non-verb-initial sentences "the clitics are placed after the first constituent of S, except when that constituent is a 'non-emphatic', 'reduced' 'pre- or post-positional phrase'."

Besides being rather messy, such a statement has failed, moreover, to characterize what 'emphatic' might mean; the fact that the 'emphasis' turns up as stress is too important to be ignored. If any semblance of generality is to be achieved in such non-verb-initial sentences, one must recognize stress and say simply that "clitics occur after the first constituent of S containing stress."

As was noted earlier, stress was not only <u>able</u> to account for the placement of the mid- and post-verbal clitics in verb-initial sentences, but in some instances such as (72) and (73) [<u>a ye xist</u>] versus <u>axist</u> <u>ye</u>] was the <u>only</u> factor which could account for their placement. Stress can also, we have just seen, account for the non-verb-initial sentences with the most generality. Clearly, it would be economical to recognize the relevance of stress for Clitic Placement in <u>both</u> verb-initial and non-verb-initial sentences.

We will find, in fact, that such a reference to stress will allow us to combine the two statements necessary for verb-initial and non-verb-initial sentences in the most economical and general way. We can avoid having to make two major criterial statements—one regarding 'aspect' for the verb-initial instances and one regarding 'first constituent' for the non-verb-initial instances—plus at least three rather complex additional exception—statements referring to 'reduced' 'pre— and post—positional phrases', to 'emphasis' in such reduced PPs, to a certain class of verbs with initial, separable vowels, and to stress on those initial separable vowels. We have seen throughout that stress can be seen as a relevant factor in all these instances and absolutely necessary in some. To capture this generalization, we must allow the Clitic Placement rule to refer to stress. Stated informally, the transformational for rule of Clitic Placement would be something like "Within each simple clause", place

clitics after the first segment in which at least one element is stressed, where 'segment' may be an immediate constituent of S or the first segment of the verb."

Although this statement seems to be in conflict with the usual assumptions of current linguistic theory that the levels of the grammar are separate and that a syntactic rule need make no reference to phonological information, it seems not only reasonable but necessary in light of the data. Linguistic theory must be flexible enough to allow for adequate characterization of such data.

# 5. Interaction between Clitic Placement and a Phonological Rule

The operation of Clitic Placement in Pashto in certain instances provides evidence of another interaction between the components of the grammar, an interaction which might be considered unusual or 'backwards' given the usual assumptions of separate levels in the grammar. In this section I will discuss the interaction between a vowel Contraction Rule, a phonological rule, and Clitic Placement 38, a syntactic rule.

Let me first summarize the rules which will figure in the discussion. As we saw in the previous section, Clitic Placement is a rule which places clitics after the first stressed element of a sentence. Three phonological rules will come up. The first is a vowel Contraction Rule, which will be seen to interact with Clitic Placement:

## ( 78) Contraction Rule (CR)

$$C\partial + \begin{Bmatrix} a \\ A \end{Bmatrix} \longrightarrow CA$$

The (d) items in (79) and (80) show the results of an application of CR:

(79)a.	z ə	sp <b>ay</b> dog	sAt∂m keep	I am keeping the dog.
b.	zə	spay	n∂sAt∂m	I am not keeping the dog.
c.	zə	spay	axləm	I am buying the dog.
đ.	zə	spay	nAx1 <del>0</del> m	I am not buying the dog.

(80)a. mA spay sAt∂ I was keeping the dog.

b. mA spay w0sAta I kept the dog.

c. mA spay axist→ I was buying the dog.

d. mA spay wAxistd I bought the dog.

Two further phonological rules figure also in the data to be presented in this section—a rule reducing the third person clitic (Reduction), and a rule rounding  $/\theta/$  to /u/ (Labialization Rule):

# (81) Reduction Rule (RR)

The (d) item in (82) illustrates the application of RR:

(82)a. tor ye wuwAh
$$\partial$$
 He hit Tor. Tor he hit

b. tə tor wuwAhəle Tor hit you. you Tor hit

c. \*tə ye wuwAhəle He hit you.

d. te wwwAhƏle . He hit you.

(83) Labialization Rule (LR)

The (b) examples in (84) and (85) illustrate the results of the application of LR:

(84) a. wə daredəm (I) stood up.

b. wu ba daredom (I) would stand up.

(85)a. w∂ de 'sAta You kept it.

b. wu me sAta I kept it.

Now let us consider the somewhat peculiar interaction between the vowel Contraction Rule and Clitic Placement. The interaction is "peculier" in that the phonological rule appears to have applied before the syntactic one.

In (86), the interaction between the CR and Clitic Placement is such that it appears that the CR precedes Clitic Placement:

(86)a. tor spay axiste Tor was buying the dog.

b. tor spay wAxista Tor bought the dog.

c. wA de xiste You bought it.

d. nÁ de xistð You were not buying it.

In (c) and (d), the forms  $\underline{w}\underline{A}$  and  $\underline{n}\underline{A}$  have to have resulted from CR applying to  $\underline{w}\underline{\partial} + \underline{a}\underline{x}\underline{i}\underline{s}\underline{t}\underline{\partial}$  and  $\underline{n}\underline{\partial} + \underline{a}\underline{x}\underline{i}\underline{s}\underline{t}\underline{\partial}$ . This means that the clitic de has to have been inserted after the vowel Contraction Rule had applied.

Consider (87), where the negative particle (underlyingly  $n + \theta$ ) occurring before  $\underline{ye}$  on the surface does not surface as  $\underline{ne}$  (by RR). Instead CR has applied.

(87)a. nA ye xləm (I) am not buying it.

b. \*ne axləm

Such instances doubly indicate that  $\underline{ye}$  is inserted after the vowel Contraction Rule. First,  $\underline{nA}$  must be a result of CR applying to  $\underline{n\partial} + \underline{axl\partial m}$ , and so Clitic Placement must have followed CR. Secondly, the fact that RR has  $\underline{not}$  applied to produce  $\underline{ne}$  (from, presumably  $\underline{n\partial} + \underline{ye}$ ) indicates that CR must have already operated to destroy the environment for the operation of RR by the time  $\underline{ye}$  was inserted. Both observations combine to indicate that CR precedes Clitic Placement.

An exactly parallel situation exists in (88) as well. Here, although the non-progressive marker (underlyingly  $\underline{w0}$ ) occurs before the labial  $\underline{ba}$ , Labialization has not applied to produce  $\underline{wu}$ . Instead CR has applied to produce  $\underline{wA}$ .

(88)a. wA ba ye xl∂m I will buy it.

b. \*wu ba ye axləm

Once again this is a double indication that the CR producing  $\underline{wA}$  had applied before Clitic Placement placed  $\underline{ba}^{3.9}$ 

Thus we find a peculiar "backwards" interaction between the vowel Contraction Rule and Clitic Placement. Linguistic theory must be able to account for such interactions, whether by allowing direct interaction through ordering, as presented informally in the

discussion above for the sake of convenience, or by trying to capture what is going on by allowing either the phonological or the syntactic processes involved to apply as global rules. I leave this question open.

# Conclusion

This paper has attempted to cover a broad range 40 of facts relating to clitics in Pashto, including the establishment of a SSC on clitic orders and the formulation of the Clitic Placement rule.

Certain of the observations have more than a language-specific interest in that they have theoretical or universal implications. I have argued that not only must certain parts of the SSC be formulated using phonologically explicit items, but that part of the basis for the SSC may be the phonological shape of the clitics. I have suggested that it is due to their phonological shape that certain out-of-order clitics within clitic sequences do not render the sentence ungrammatical. Evidence was presented that it is too simple to claim that the ordering constraint on clitics is due to the same principle as that which requires the fixed order of morphemes in a word. I have argued that Clitic Placement, a syntactic rule, is sensitive to stress. I have presented evidence that a certain phonological rule interacts in what, given the usual assumptions about the separation of levels in the grammar, is a 'peculiar' or 'reverse' way.

Such matters show that there is a wider range of phenomena connected with clitics than has commonly been recognized in the literature, and phenomena with some rather interesting theoretical implications.

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# FOOTNOTES

- \* I would like to particularly thank Charles Kisseberth for his help and valuable suggestions on matters relating to this paper. I am also grateful to Georgia Green for her helpful comments on various points. Thanks goes especially to my wife Margie for her insightful contributions and editing of the paper. I, of course, am responsible for any errors.
- 1 There are various dialects of Pashto, which is spoken in Afghanistan, Pashtunistan, northern Baluchistan, and some major cities of Pakistan. The paper is based on my own dialect, that spoken near Kabul, Afghanistan.
- 2 Certain parts of this paper dealing with the interaction of phonology and syntax were presented at the annual meeting of the Chicago Linguistic Society in April 1975 and that paper will be published in the forthcoming volume on that meeting.
- 3 This is because Pashto is an ergative language in the past tenses, but nominative-accusative in the non-past tenses, and because the accusative and ergative cases utilize the same clitic forms. See also footnote 9. For a detailed study of ergativity in Pashto, see my article "Ergativity in Pashto", forthcoming in the Penzl Festschrift, Peter de Ridder, the Hague.
- 4 The third person clitic appears in three forms depending on phonological environment: /ye/, -/y/, and /e/. The environments are described later in the paper. For convenience and clarity, I will use primarily /ye/ in this paper.
- 5 The vowel /a/ appears only when the preceding element is consonant-final; this variation is pointed out later in this paper.
  - 6 The symbol  $/\frac{\partial}{\partial}$  is used in this paper for schwa.
- 7 Actually, due to a syllabification rule mentioned later, this would be to-ram.
- 8 This may also be affected by the speed of speech and social context.
- 9 Pashto is ergative-absolutive in the past, and nominative-accusative in the non-past tenses. The same set of pronominal clitics which serve as possessives in all tenses serve in the past tense as ergative pronouns and in the non-past tenses as accusative pronouns. It is assumed throughout this paper that the functional distribution or case assignment for the clitics has already been correctly taken care of by earlier processes or rules. I have not included any sequences that are ungrammatical because of violations of functional or case assignment conditions on clitic forms. See my paper in the Penzl Festschrift mentioned above.
- 10 In my formulation of the SSC, I have used the notations "xo" and "ba" for these two not because such a notation appears phonologically necessary as it does in certain other cases, but merely for convenience because something like "adverb of emphasis" or "future modal" are both cumbersome and somewhat inaccurate.

- 11 When it has been examined, cause and effect or at least primary and secondary causes, have been confounded. Perlmutter, for example, after noting that sequences like se se are ungrammatical, puts both se's in the same slot in the SSC--without really examining the reason behind why they must be put there together. He then states "The correct generalization is that ungrammaticality is caused not by sequences of two or more clitics of the same phonological shape, but rather by two or more clitics from the same slot in the surface constraint." (1971:43) Although he is raising the question of cause, he is really talking about the effect (of two phonologically identical items having been put in the same slot, for whatever original reason).
- 12 Notice that in Pashto there are several such semantically and transformationally possible sequences of phonologically identical clitics, not just one or two as in French or Spanish. It would seem unwise to ignore the fact that all such are ungrammatical.
- 13 Although similar in conception to Perlmutter's 'Nonglobal Constraints' on clitics (for French and Spanish), the 'Condition' I have proposed here does not really seem to be the same sort of thing. Perlmutter's nonglobal constraints are "construction particular," "additional constraints, superimposed on the global constraints" as embodied in the SSC (1971:61); the examples he gives are instances linked to a particular verb. The instance here in Pashto is not linked to a particular verb, and, moreover, is more intimately bound up with the operation of the filtering function of the SSC itself. It does not seem to be "additional" but rather a part of the SSC in general. It may be that the need for this Condition poses a problem for the SSC theory and notation.
- 14 This may mean that "(a) mam" rather than "(a)m am" should be entered in the SSC for the eastern dialect, even though there are obvious difficulties with such a version.

xo ba (a) m 1sg <u>de</u> 3

Such a version would also make it difficult to combine the SSC's for the two dialects/styles as was done in 36).

- 15 These out-of-order sequences are possible only before  $\underline{xo}$ . Why I don't know, but it probably has something to do with the fact that  $\underline{xo}$  is the initial clitic in the SSC ordering. The instances involving Reduction and Glide Formation are also possible before  $\underline{ba}$ .
- 16 See Perlmutter, footnote 35, page 57, and footnote 42, page 65. On page 57, when faced with a switching of two adjacent clitics in positive imperatives, he suggests the existence of a low level flip rule. On page 65, faced with trying to maintain his fixed order or morphemes in a word as applicable to clitic hypothesis, he leaves the flip question open within words.

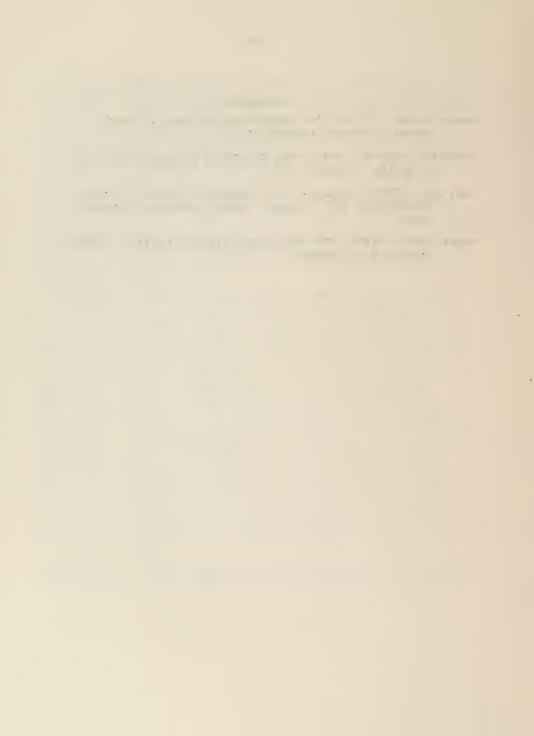
- 17 Perlmutter recognizes this implication in footnote 35, page 57.
- 18 To make the reordering rule global is a possibility; the reordering rule could perhaps be formulated to "see ahead" to "know" which elements would later be phonologically incorporated. This does not seem an obviously better proposal than the second proposal to be suggested in the text which allows for a more direct interaction between the phonological and syntactic components. In either treatment, it is clear that the two are interacting. A global reordering rule solution has the disadvantage of not also automatically accounting for the \*am am versus a mam data discussed in section 2.2, which the second proposal in the text would account for (if a mam is entered in the SSC as suggested in footnotes 14 and 19.)
- 19 This solution would have the advantage of accounting for the grammaticality of  $\frac{a \text{ mam}}{a}$  versus the ungrammaticality of  $\frac{a \text{ mam}}{a}$  directly, by entering  $\frac{a \text{ mam}}{a}$  in the SSC since the SSC would be applying after the syllabification rule.
- 20 I will discuss certain other problems posed by Pashto's data in my dissertation.
- 21 Before beginning, let me point out that Perlmutter mentions the clitics' "placement" next to (1971:78), "attachment to" (1971:65,66,81) "leaning on" (1971:65,81), and "positioning adjacent to" (1971:81) the host word or constituent. He uses all four as equivalents as far as I can tell. I will therefore take the four as equivalents, but will most often use "positioning" or "placement" since those are the clearest in Pashto. It will be seen, moreover, that regardless of whether they are taken as equivalents or whether some distinction is attempted, serious problems arise with his proposal.
- 22 I do not know if a VP node can be motivated for Pashto. I will thus use simply "constituent of S" in such instances.
  - 23 See section 4 on Clitic Placement.
  - 24 See item (58).
- 25 There are a number of verbs of which the first vowel or syllable has been analyzed by speakers as a prefix in some ways, and there is evidence that probably historically they were prefixes of some kind.
  - 26 Perlmutter apparently tends to assume they are equivalant.
- 27 In such cases, the insertion of such elements between the prefix and the verb root is possible only when the prefix is stressed. When it is stressless, the insertion is impermissible (even with the same verbs). This suggests that perhaps stress is a relevant factor relative to the degree of cohesiveness of morphemes in the two situations. This needs further study.

- 28 If the infixation analysis mentioned as a possibility above is accepted, an example like (66) is a direct counter-example to Perlmutter's claim. [If infixation is not accepted, then the 'host plus clitics as word' and the 'host plus clitics as constituent' hypotheses are both in serious question as we saw: since a-ye is neither a word nor a constituent in any usual sense because /a/- is not even a morpheme. One must give up the 'host plus clitics as constituent' (as well as the 'host plus clitic as word') hypothesis if the infixation analysis is not accepted.) However, even if infixation is not accepted, we will see that the order of morphemes in a word explanation for clitics is directly contradicted by items like (67) and (68) anyway.
- 29 Although Perlmutter mentions elsewhere that a morpheme realized as  $\emptyset$  phonologically on the surface could slip through the SSC, the contracted morphemes here are definitely not phonologically  $\emptyset$ . Thus, that 'out' is too simply formulated to be available to account for this data either. But even if it could, these still contradict the statement "If there are two words which contain the same morphemes but in a different order, then the underlying representations of the two are distinct", as applied to the boxes as "words".
  - 30 Pashto is a SOV language.
- 31 In marking stress in these items, I have made no attempt to distinguish degrees of stress, and have, moreover, marked it only where actually relevant for our purposes here.
  - 32 See footnote 22.
- 33 The pronouns I have termed "weak" are different from the strong pronouns in that they never carry stress and cannot stand alone. They are different from clitic pronouns in their behavior.
- 34. These pre- and post-positional phrases do not normally carry stress. (See, however, footnote 35.) They move to the verb regardless of their original position, and there they occur in a fixed order. Given these characteristics, one can really only call them clitics. However, their relative ordering in sequence, as well as their movement and placement next to the verb, can be accounted for transformationally. If they are considered "clitics", then, this may in a sense pose a problem for the hypothesis that clitics are universally subject to surface structure constraints. If they are not considered "clitics", then the definition of "clitic" becomes unclear! I will study these and related matters in detail in another paper and will include them in my dissertation. [If they are "clitics", then the present paper should be viewed as a study of just one type of clitics in Pashto!]
- 35 The only time that some of these reduced pre- and post-positional phrases may carry stress--and then only on the post-position--is when they originate next to certain forms of the auxiliaries and when the sentence is emphatic.

- 36 I have assumed that Clitic Placement is a transformational rule. For a number of reasons which cannot be gone into here, to treat it as, for example, a surface structure constraint, would not be as satisfactory. The use of the transformational solution of course makes a somewhat stronger claim (than would a surface structure treatment): i.e. that certain late types of syntactic processes must be able to utilize a limited range of phonological information. In the instance of Clitic Placement, such a reference to stress seems quite natural and not at all "wild"; a rule handling stressless elements which cannot stand alone (i.e. clitics) might well be expected to refer in some way to the stressedness of other elements; Clitic Placement is obviously a rule designed to find a "protected" position in the sentence for clitics since they cannot occur clause initially and cannot stand alone; it would seem natural that a stressless item might be too weak to so "protect" the clitics. In fact, the possibility that stress may be relevant in one way or another for the behavior of clitics in other languages seems worthy of further examination.
- 37 Clitic placement operates only within each simple clause; in complex sentences, then, it operates only inside each simplex.
- 38 The same interaction exists between vowel Contraction and another late syntactic rule, Negative Reordering, as well. See my paper in the April 1975 Chicago Linguistic Society volume, forthcoming.
- 39 One might try to say that Clitic Placement is ordered before the Contraction Rule by saying that CP places the clitics after the /a/- in a form like axist and that the CR applies afterward. That is, one might try to claim a derivation like: \*me no axisto \*nô a- me xistò ----> nA me xistò. Such a claim is untenable for a number of reasons which cannot be covered here. Let us note just two points. First, everywhere else in the language, clitics follow immediately after a stressed element like n0; to place them just in this instance one slot over to the right, after /a/, would be quite unmotivated. This point is lent further weight by parallel instances with verbs beginning with a separable element other than /a/; in these it is not possible to place the clitics after the separable element if a n0 precedes. That is, with a verb like pAcawd, one cannot get \*no pA- me cawo. Therefore with axisto, it seers reasonable that clitic placement would not give \*no a- me -xisto either, even as an intermediate stage.
- 40 There are various other problems related to the study of clitics in Pashto which I did not include in this paper and which I will treat in the future.

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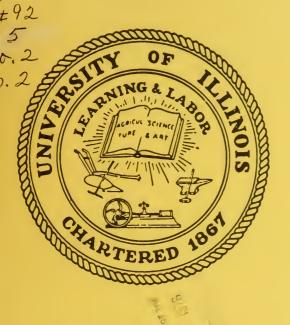


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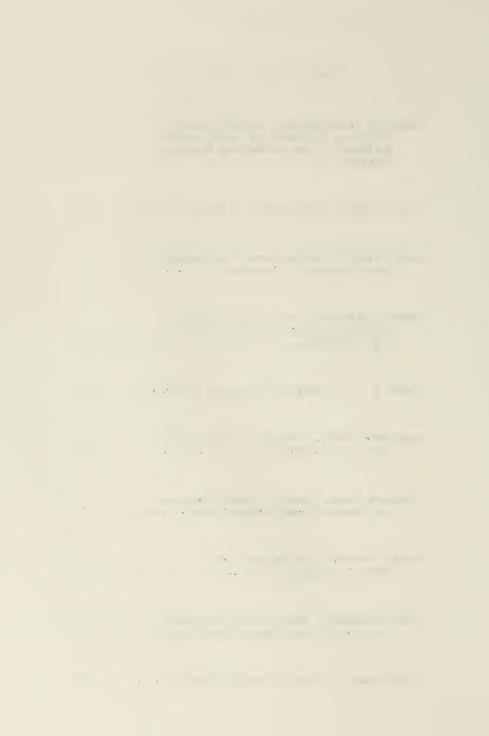
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# THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE SLOVIC RED VC TELS IN NETLY CHECKED SYLLABLES IN THE NORTHMESTERN UKRAINIAN DIALECTS\*

### Christine Yurkiw Bethin

One of the most pervasive linguistic features of Contemporary Standard Ukrainian, and one which serves to differentiate it from the other East Slavic languages, is the raising of the two original Common Slavic mid vowels /e/ and /o/ to the high, front vowel /i/ in checked syllables.

It is generally believed that Common Slavic was characterized by opensyllable structure of the type CV (cf. Meillet 1954:19). The later change from this open syllable system to a checked one was significantly motivated by the loss of the two Common Slavic (CS) short or reduced high vowels /i/ and /u/, also known as jers. In the CS dialect which later formed the basis for Contemporary Standard Ukrainian (CSU), the mid vowels which found themselves in newly checked syllables as a result of the loss of the "weak" jers underwent a change often referred to as "ikavism". Thus, CS \*neslu > CSU nis, CS \*mostu > CSU mist. The precise nature of this change and the course of its development are still subject to discussion.

In this paper I will discuss two of the theories that have been proposed in the literature as possible explanations for this change. The southwestern Ukrainian dialects, which are interesting for their various manifestations of [-low] vowels in this environment, will be mentioned insofar as they are relevant to the development in the northwest. The northwestern dialects, which are characterized by diphthongs in these newly checked syllables, will be examined in more detail with regard to the predictions of the two theories under discussion. Evidence from Polish and other Slavic languages will be included for comparison. Finally, it will be shown that a synchronic problem can shed some light on the possible diachronic process.

The data can be represented by the following examples. The southwester dialect data are:

Lemkian:	ft'uk	the ran awayt	ftekla	'she ran away'
	vyų	† 0 X †	voua	'ox' gen.sg.
Sjan:	l'ut	'ice'	1 ¢du	'ice' gen.sg.
	nys	'nose'	nosu	'nose' gen.sg.

Hutsul:	m'id	'honey'	médu	'honey' gen.sg.
	z'ir	'eyesight'	zóru	'eyesight' gen.sg.
		(Ukraine: /	A Concise	Encyclopedia 1963:476-8)
Boikian:	m'id	'honey'	medu	'honey' genisg.
	n'is	'nose'	nósa	'nose' gen.sg.
				(Černjak 1960:157)

The northwestern dialect data is represented by the following:

	S	tressed			<u>U</u>	nstressed
Voldava:	núèč	'night'	nóči	gen.sg.	ná nuč	'for a night'
	p'íeč	'oven'	peči	gen.sg.	nápyč	'bake a lot'
Pidljašša:	muost	'bridge'	mósta	gen.sg.	mustká	dim. gen.sg.
	p'îeč .	'oven'	péči	gen.sg.	záp'ik	past m.sg. 'bake'
Polissja:	muost	'bridge'	mósta	gen.sg.	mostká	dim. gen.sg.
	p' ieč	'oven'	péči	gen.sg.	zap ek	past m.sg. 'bake'
		•	(Kuras	zkiewicz 1951;	177-8, 1	933:A46)

Traditionally, the motivation for ikavism has been attributed to the phenomenon of compensatory lengthening as a result of the loss of the "weak" jers (Saxmatov 1915:270-1; Trubetskoy 1924:229-300; Bulaxovs'kyj 1951:241-2). This compensatory lengthening is thought to have resulted in a general process of diphthongization which was subsequently followed by monophthongization in some of the dialects, including the standard dialect. Bulaxovs'kyj (1951:242) postulates the following historical development: \*vo-zú > voz > výoz > výuz > výiz > výz > viz. (The phonetic character of the intermediate diphthongs is not described.) One difficulty with this view is the fact. that the written sources available do not offer any evidence for postulating an intermediate process of diphthongization. However, linguists adhering .. to this view feel that the evidence of the northwestern dialects (cf. above), which do show diphthongization, makes it likely that the southwestern dialects also went through a stage of diphthongization. The various reflexes of the mid vowels in the southwestern dialects presented above, then, are taken to represent monophthongizations of underlying diphthongs at various stages of development, i. e., vyuz > vuz, vyiz > viz, vyoz > vyz.

The opposing view holds that the motivation for the change of the mid

vowels in newly checked syllables is vowel <u>assimilation</u>. The southwestern dialects are considered to have assimilation of mid vowels to following high vowels. Since the jers were high vowels, Kurylo (1928:7-17) argues that ikavism can be motivated by vowel assimilation, i. e., vozu > vuzu > vuz. She believes that assimilation of mid vowels to following high vowels had its origin in the southwestern dialects from where it spread northward and supposedly there these monophthongs then diphthongized under the influence of the strong expiratory stress. In addition, since there are several northern dialects in which the quality of the mid vowel in <u>unaccented newly checked</u> syllables does not differ from the mid vowel in the open syllable (cf. the evidence of the Polissja dialect above), Kancov (1923:19) and Kurylo were led to conclude that the quantitative change in the mid vowels was a northern innovation conditioned by stress.

Let us take, for example, the two northern dialects of Pidljašša and Polissja and examine the effects of the northern stress and how the two theories propose to deal with it. The Pidljašša dialect has <u>muost</u> ~ <u>mustka</u>, whereas the Polissja dialect differs in the unstressed syllable: <u>muost</u> ~ <u>mostka</u>.

The assimilation theory would account for the Pidljašša example in the following way: CS \*mostu, \*mostuka by assimilation gives mustu, mustuka, by jer drop must, mustka and by diphthongization under stress muost, mustka. Note, however, that there is no way that this theory can account for the unassimilated vowel in Polissjan mostka, if it claims that assimilation was shared by all of the dialects under consideration.

The compensatory lengthening theory can be exemplified by Kuraszkie-vicz's proposal (1933:A47), formulated precisely in answer to the possibilities raised by Hancov and Kurylo. Kuraszkiewicz postulates that jer loss resulted in compensatory lengthening of the mid vowel in the preceding syllable. The lengthened vowel is then said to have undergone "sonant formation" (o > uo , e > ic), further diphthongization followed by the development of the strong northern expiratory stress and subsequent monophthongization of the unstressed vowel. The development in the Pidljašša type dialects is proposed to have been the following:

\*mostu \*mostŭka most most ka

Jer loss

Sonant formation	muost	m <sup>u</sup> ostka
Diphthongization	muost	muostka
Northern stress	muost	muostka
Monophthongization	múost	mustka

The divergent development of the Polissja dialect is explained as the result of a difference in the relative chronology. It is claimed that since the Polissjan dialect is located to the north of the Pidljaššan, it is not unlikely that the northern stress affected it at an earlier time than the more southern Pidljašša dialect. Kuraszkiewicz postulates the following diachronic process for the Polissjan dialect:

	*mostŭ	*mostŭka
Jer loss	most	most ka
Sonant formation	muost	m <sup>u</sup> ostka
Northern stress	muost	muostka
Monophthongization	muost	mostká
Diphthongization	muost	mostká

Kuraszkiewicz's proposal implies some significant phonetic difference between what he terms a "sonant" (i.e., "o) and what he classifies as a diphthong (i.e., uo). This difference, however, may be difficult to substantiate phonetically. It would be simpler to account for the difference between the two dialects as the result of a difference in the relative chronology of two rules, namely of diphthongization and shortening: Polissja may be assumed to have shortened the newly lengthened vowels in unstressed syllables before diphthongization, and Pidljašša, after diphthongization.

With regard to the southwestern dialects where there are no diphthongs, Euraszkiewicz proposes that the northern stress did not penetrate that far south and that, therefore, diphthongs in all positions monophthongized. Note, however, that this proposal suffers from the disadvantage of having to postulate a diphthongization in the southwest for which there is no written or synchronic evidence.

It would seem, then, that the compensatory lengthening theory which tries to account for the different realizations of the mid vowels in the north and in the south by a chronological difference of two rules, and the assimilation theory which assigns diphthongization to the north exclusively, are both difficult to substantiate. Neither theory considers the possibility that the changes which took place in the northwestern dialects may have been different from the development in the southwest.

A more acceptable interpretation can be found, at least for the north-western dialects, if we consider their development separately from that of the southwestern dialects. The purpose of this paper is to do so and thereby to decide between the two possible alternative explanations of the north-western dialect data: (a) diphthongization once was a general change and survived only in stressed environments; or (b) diphthongization is a secondary innovation, taking place only in strengly stressed environments.

A phenomenon similar to that of the northwestern Ukrainian dialects can be found in the West Slavic languages, namely, that of lengthening vowels before secondarily final obstruents. The case in Polish is especially interesting. The following alternations are found in Standard Literary Polish:

Singular	Plural	gloss
grup	groby	grave
m¹ut	m'ody	honey.
nuš	nože ·	kniîe
vus	vozy	cart
stuu	stouy	table
potop	potopy	flood
puot .	puoty	fence
los	losy	fate
bok	boki	side
dom	domy	house

The rule accounting for these alternations is described in grammars of Polish as one which lengthens a vowel in a checked syllable (historically, all final consonants had been followed by a jer) before a voiced, non-nasal consonant or a glide. That the rule operative here is a type of lengthening (i.e., o o (>u)) and not just a raising is supported, among other considerations which will not be discussed here, by written sources,

which for a long time represented the vowel in the newly checked syllable as a geminate. Stieber dates the lengthening change to about 1000 A.D., the date usually cited also for the changes in the jers of dest Slavic. Stieber writes:

In P[olish] this compensatory lengthening occurred only before a word-final jer and only where the consonant preceding it was voiced (phonetically or both phonemically and phonetically)...
It also occurred in two Sl[avic] languages now or formerly bordering on P[olish], but unconnected with each other; U[krainian] and U[pper] S[orbian]. In both the lengthening covered a wider scope than in P[olish], occurring both before voiced and voiceless consonants, and before a final jer as well as a medial one...

In the last quoted sentence, Stieber raises an interesting question. If both Upper Sorbian (to the west of Polish) and Ukrainian (to the east) have compensatory lengthening before all consonants in newly checked syllables, how is one to account for the fact that in Polish this lengthening is restricted to environments before a voiced obstruent? Are we to say that Polish is the innovating dialect? Or are we to assume that the changes are not related in the three areas?

The geographical distribution of this change seems to indicate a spread. If we take the synchronic situation in Polish to be representative of the diachronic, we are then led to say that Upper Sorbian and Ukrainian independently innovated in lengthening before a voiceless obstruent. Theoretically, such independent innovations would not be totally unmotivated, for in those Ukrainian dialects where there is final devoicing, a lengthening rule of the Polish type would be opaque (as it is in Polish) and this opacity could be said to motivate a generalization of the lengthening rule to voiceless environments. <sup>5</sup>

On the other hand, assuming that the lengthening process in Polish actually represents a compensatory phenomenon (and not originally phonetic, non-phonemic lengthening before voiced segments as in English [b.:.d] vs. [b...t]), as it seems to be historically, the more general case would be lengthening in all checked syllables. This would entail the assumption that Polish originally had lengthening in all checked syllables with a mid vowel. The innovation would then be in Polish and would consist of shortening long vowels before obstruents that were not voiced.

Whatever the correct interpretation may be, Polish does provide evidence for a lengthening process. Similar lengthening phenomena can be cited from Slovene (cf. bog vs. bogâ, môst vs. mostâ, léd vs. ledû) and from Serbo-Croatian (bôg vs. bôga, most vs. môsta, léd vs. lédû, where indicates long falling and wishort falling accent); cf. Vaillant 1950: 274. On the other hand there is no evidence in any of these languages for phonemic vowel assimilation. It is not unlikely that the northwestern Ukrainian dialects also underwent a lengthening process. It may therefore be postulated that the motivation for the change in the mid vowels of Ukrainian dialects can be found, at least historically, in compensatory lengthening.

The other aspect of the lengthening theory holds that the compensatory lengthening led to diphthongization, which is still retained under stress in the northern dialects. It is also believed that the unstressed vowels in the northern dialects were once diphthongs which have since monophthongized. However, as has been stated earlier, while historically there was some evidence for a lengthening process, there is no written historical evidence in Ukrainian which would allow us to postulate diphthongs where they do not occur today.

It seems, however, that there is <u>synchronic</u> evidence arguing for intermediate diphthongal stages even in <u>unstress</u>ed environments. In the northern dialect of the Voronež region, we find the following alternations:

I	Nom. sg.	Gen. sg.	gloss
	stvél svél tvék kvét	stóla sóli tóku kóta	table salt current (n.) tomcat
II	ós'en' jás'en' p'éč	ósen'i jásen'i péčy	autumn ash tree oven
		(Komisarova	1965:178-9)

The alternations are again in the mid vowels of open and checked syllables: ve o and e (with palatalization of the preceding consonant) e (with the preceding consonant not palatalized). Stress does not seem to play a role here; cf. 6s'en' (unstressed) beside p'éč (stressed).

Let us first examine group I. Mistorically and in some synchronic descriptions, the /v/ of East Slavic is derived from an /u/. This is motivated by the fact that in Slavic /v/ does not behave entirely like an obstruent --although it undergoes devoicing, it does not condition it-and it retains many sonorant characteristics. It is thus possible to describe this  $\underline{ve}$   $\underline{o}$  alternation as an underlying alternation between  $\underline{ue}$  and  $\underline{o}$ . Group II provides more complicated evidence: there is an alternation between consonants which are palatalized before the following front vowel and those that are not. This occurrence of palatalized vs. nonpalatalized corresponds to checked and open syllables.

What is important in this respect is that in this dialect, as in most Ukrainian dialects, obstruents normally are not palatalized before /e/. Since historically obstruents were originally palatalized before all front vowels, the usual Ukrainian situation could be described as a result of a dispalatalization rule ( $C' \sim C/_e$ ). Synchronically, it is possible to say that the palatalization rule of Ukrainian is simply  $C \rightarrow C'/_e$ i. Both analyses, however, face the same problem, namely the fact that in the above forms, palatalized obstruents occur before a front mid vowel with the added, rather odd, restriction that they occur only before an e which is in a checked syllable.

This difficulty can be resolved if, parallel to the  $\underline{ve} \cdot \underline{o}$  of group I, we assume an earlier  $\underline{ie} \cdot \underline{e}$  for group II. In this case we only need to assume that the diphthongization of the original  $\underline{e}$  to  $\underline{ie}$  in, as should be evident, both stressed and unstressed newly checked syllables took place  $\underline{before}$  the dispalatalization before  $\underline{e}$  and that the subsequent monophthongization of  $\underline{ie}$  to  $\underline{e}$  took place  $\underline{after}$  the dispalatalization:

,	/C'e/
Diphthongization	ie
Dispalatalization	
Monophthongization	e

This ordering will then correctly account for the attested forms, at least in a dynamic, historical analysis. (Synchronically, one might have some misgivings about the introduction of an "abstract" ie in the

intermediate representation. However, even here, the parallelism of the type  $\underline{ve}$   $\underline{o}$  would seem to make such an analysis acceptable, especially since we are not dealing with an abstract form at the underlying level.)

This solution can then be extended to the problem of the diphthongs in all the northern dialects. It is thus very likely that the diphthongs found under stress in the northwestern Ukrainian dialects today do, in fact, represent the preservation of an older lengthening change which was followed by a general diphthongization and an innovation only under the new stress. (The situation in the southwest remains to be more closely studied.) There seems to be no evidence, historical or synchronic, in support of the alternative proposal that some type of vowel assimilation took place in the northern Ukrainian dialects.

The evidence given in this paper thus removes some of the difficulties concerning the diphthongization or lengthening hypothesis and indicates that this hypothesis is clearly preferable to the alternative assimilation hypothesis, at least for the northwestern Ukrainian dialects.

#### FCOTNOTES

- \* The preparation of this paper has benefited greatly from the helpful suggestions of Hans H. Hock.
- $^{l}$  Mid vowels resulting from the vocalization of strong jers (\*u o, i.e) do not undergo this change.
- <sup>2</sup>A third possibility, that of ikavism being the result of the Common Slavic neo-acute accent is discussed in detail in Carlton (1974).
- Evidence for possibly assimilatory vowel reduction in the southwestern dialects may be found in Boikian: CSU tobí, B tubí; CSU ob'íd, B ub'íd; and in the Sjan dialect: CSU nesý, S nisí; CSU berú, S birú. These seem to be cases of unstressed vowel reduction except that in these dialects it is limited to syllables before high vowels, and therefore has come to be interpreted as a type of assimilation. See Smal'-Stockij (1927), Hancov (1923), Kurylo (1928) and Pan'kevyč (1942).
- $^4\mathrm{See}$  Stieber (1973) and Gladney (unpublished) for a representative explanation.
- $^{5}$ For a discussion of such generalizations and their motivation, cf. Kiparsky (1973).

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# THE EVOLUTION OF TONES IN PUNJABLE

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0.1: Along with Lahnda and the Western Pahari dialects, Punjasi is the only modern Indo-Aryan language which has developed tonal contrasts.

Punjabi has three phonemic tones. The low tone / / is characterized as a low-rising tone by Bailey (1915:ix). The high tone is a rising-falling tone; cf. Bailey 1915:ix. The mid tone is never represented, since it is predictable by rules of redundancy; i.e. if a vowel does not bear any tone specification at the level of phonetic representation, it carries a mid tone.

0.2: At the same time, Punjabi has lost the old Indo-Aryan series of voiced aspirates, changing them into voiceless stops, initially, and voiced stops in other environments. Similarly, the Old Indo-Aryan Voiced  $\underline{\hat{h}}$  appears voiceless initially and is lost clsewhere.

Punjabi is largely surrounded by a hindi speaking region which has retained <u>h</u> and the old voiced aspirated consonants. On the other side of Punjabi, Kashmiri is spoken. In this language, the distinction between voiced aspirates and voiced unaspirates has been neutralized, and as a consequence, the voiced aspirates are realized as voiced aspirated segments in all environments.

0.3: As it turns out, there is a close correlation between the (retained)  $\underline{h}$  and voiced aspirates of Hindi and the Punjabi tones. Thus, in place of Hindi voiced aspirates, Punjabi shows unvoiced unaspirated segments in initial position followed by low tone; and in non-initial position, it shows voiced unaspirated stops either preceded by high tone or followed by low tone. Similarly, after initial  $\underline{h}$ , Punjabi offers low tone; and corresponding to Hindi  $\underline{V}$   $\underline{h}$  ( $\underline{V}$ ), Punjabi shows a sequence without  $\underline{h}$  and with either high tone or low tone on the neighboring vowel(s). Compare the following table of general correspondences. (For examples, cf. Section 1.3.1-2 below.)

	Hindi		$\rightarrow$		Punjabi
#	bh V		<b>→</b>		# 27
#	h V		<b>→</b>		# h V
	N.	5 bh7	V		7
(	[+accent]	in ?		<b>→</b>	[+accent]

$$\begin{array}{c} V & \begin{array}{c} bh \\ \\ \end{array} \\ V & \begin{array}{c} bh \\ \end{array} \\ V & \begin{array}{c} bh \\ \end{array} \\ \end{array} \\ \end{array}$$

The set of correspondences is uniform throughout the five series, i.e. velar, palatal, retroflex, dental, and bilabial. On the other hand, the Hindi unvoiced unaspirates, unvoiced aspirates, and voiced unaspirates do not show tonal correspondences in Punjabi.

0.4: These correspondences were noticed in earlier descriptions of Punjabi (cf. Bailey 1915, Bloch 1925, Jain 1934, Banl 1957 a,b, Gill 1960, Arun 1961 and Gill and Gleason 1963) and interpreted as the result of a neutralization of the voiced aspirates with the unaspirated voiceless or voiced stops (depending on the environment) and of the loss of non-initial h. These developments, in turn, were offered as an explanation to account for the emergence of tones in Punjabi.

Such an explanation, however, falls short of a phonetic explanation, since it fails to indicate the phonetic features present in voiced aspirates and <u>h</u> which led to the development of different tones. Bloch (1925) was the only exception in this regard. He attempted to set up a correlation between tones, stressed vowels, and <u>h</u>. However, his paper remained unfamiliar to most linguists, probably because it was in French. I will present Bloch's analysis in detail in Section 1.3.3 below.

- 0.5: This paper presents an attempt to provide for a more satisfactory explanation of the development of tones in Punjabi. Besides attempting to examine the phonetic factors responsible for the development of tones, it will also examine the question whether the emergence of tones in Punjabi is to be explained as a regular phonetic development, as a 'borrowed' phenomenon, or as the result of mere accident. Finally, the paper addresses the question whether the synchronic derivation of Punjabi tones should be in terms of underlying voiced aspirates and h, and by means of rules mirroring the historical development, or whether tones should be regarded as underlying.
- 1: The evolution of tones in Punjabi seems to be a rather recent development, due to regular linguistic change.
- 1.1: Historically, Punjabi developed from Proto-Indo-Aryan. Although Vedic Sanskrit, the earliest Indo-Aryan dialect, and pitch accents,

no correlation can be set up between the Vedic pitch accent and the tones of Punjabi. Moreover, Classical Sanskrit and its off-shoots (Pali, the Prakrits, the Apabhramsas, etc.) are non-tonal beyond any doubt. The Vedic pitch accent thus was Tost at a fairly early time, making it highly unlikely that the tones of Punjabi are an 'inherited' phenomenon.

1.2: On the other hand, the emergence of tones is not likely to be a 'borrowed' or 'accidental' phenomenon. If the Punjabi tones were indeed a borrowed phenomenon, the Western Pahari dialects and neighboring Tibetan languages (such as Purik and lower Kanauri) presumably would have to be considered the source. In that case, the correlation between older Indo-Aryan voiced aspirates and h and Punjabi tones would have to be considered accidental.

However, such an explanation would be unsatisfactory for the followreasons:

- (1) It would miss a significant generalization and would have to claim that tones are phonologically unpredictable in the diachronic grammar of Punjabi;
- (2) It would fail to relate tones with some other linguistic processes in the grammar of Punjabi, for which of sections 2 and 3;
- (3) Perhaps most importantly, some W. Pahari dialects present an intermediate stage, which Punjabi must have once gone through (cf. 1.3.6). Bailey (1915:ix) noticed that in Chmball chora 'horse', bhal 'brother' and ghar 'house' are pronounced ghar, bhal and ghar, i.e., with tone completely predictable in terms of voiced aspiration. Similarly, in Bahl 1957b:33, we came across a Western Punjabi [dugha] 'deep' which shows that also here, the high tone is not fully phonemic. Bailey further claims that the low tone is practically unknown in most of southern dialects of W. Pahari. It is difficult to see how a 'borrowing hypothesis' could account for the 'redundancy' types encountered in 'lestern Punjabi and W. Pahari vs. the phonemicization of tones in general Punjabi.
- 1.3: These difficulties disappear if it is assumed that the tones of Punjabi, as well as of the Pahari dialects, are the result of regular sound changes.

1.3.1: Thus, low tone in initial syllables can be derived by a set of changes which devoice and deaspirate. voiced aspirates (or drop /h/ after sonorants) word-initially. Consider the following examples:

The examples in set (I) indicate that historically, the low tone is independent of accent. The vowel immediately following voiced aspirates and sonorant +  $\underline{h}$  was obligatorily assigned the low tone.

Synchronically, however, the low tone must be on the same syllable as the accent. Consider the following examples (where double underlining indicates the place of accent).

In the case of kora 'horse' and kora 'pitcher', of Set (I), the tone fails to occur on the second vowel which is stressed. This can be explained as the result of paradigm constraints on the shift of low tones to accented syllables (cf. also section 3.3 below).

1.3.2: Similarly, it is possible to formulate changes which deaspirate voiced aspirates and drop /h/, and which normally assign high tone to the preceding vowel in medial and final position.

Set(III)	/bəgghī/	'buggy'	[bággī
	/Ənnha/	'blind!	[Snna]
	/rahī/	'passenger'	[rá ī]
	/maggh/	'pitcher'	[mðg]
	/labh/	'profit'	[1áb]
	/cah/	'desire'	[cá]

However, if the vowel <u>following</u> the voiced aspirates and  $\underline{h}$  is <u>stressed</u>, it normally receives the low tone. Observe the following examples:

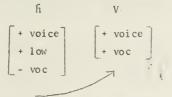
Set (IV)	non-causative	causative
/parh/	'study' [por]	[pð <u>rà</u> ]
/bUjjh/	'turn-off'['bÚjj]	[bUj <u>à</u> ]

- 1.3.3: According to Bloch (1925), these developments can be accounted for in the following fashion. Since the segment /h/ is voiceless, it cannot receive tone, whereas an accented vowel, being voiced, carries pitch. As a consequence, the sequence hV results in the low, rising tone. However, when an accented vowel precedes /h/, the high-falling tone is realized, since (again) the accented vowel has a higher pitch than h. Notice that in Ploch's analysis, tone arises only on accented vowels.
- 1.3.4: Although Bloch's analysis can, by and large, account for the data, it is incompatible with the insights offered by more recent theories on the origination of tones, such as that of Maran 1971.
- 1.3.5: A more satisfactory explanation has to take into consideration the by now well-established relationship between voicing and tone: voiced consonants are generally associated with low tone, and voiceless ones with high tone; cf. for instance Maran 1971 and Woo 1972.

On the basis of these insights, it is a priori possible to argue that the Punjabi low tone occurring after  $\underline{h}$  (and original voiced aspirates) and the high tone before it, can be accounted for by postulating an earlier stage at which voiced  $/\hbar/$  occurred initially, inducing following low tone, and voiceless  $\underline{h}$  medially, inducing preceding high tone. However, such an analysis is inadequate on two grounds: (i) To postulate unvoiced  $\underline{h}$  intervocalically is phonetically counterintuitive; (ii) this analysis fails to explain why low tone is realized after h in medial position.

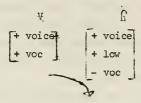
An alternative analysis which posits original voiced  $/\hbar/$  for all environment can account for the attested tones more adequately.

Since the voiced  $/\hbar/$  is [+ low tone], it will induce low or rising tone on the following vowel (i.e., the low tone starts low because of the  $/\hbar/$  and rises because of the following vowel):



However, in medial/final position, since  $/\hbar/$  is preceded by a vowel, the tone starts high (because of the vowel) and falls, since  $/\hbar/$  is [+ low].

Thus, a high or falling tone is realized in such an environment:



1.3.6: Keeping in mind these natural phonetic developments, it is now possible to trace the historical development of Punjabi tone through four stages and to thus relate this development with other developments involving the voiced aspirates and  $\underline{\mathbf{h}}$  in the neighboring Indo-Aryan dialects.

Stage I represents a stage of allophonic development of tones. At this stage, in the dialect area of Punjabi and Pahari, the voiced aspirates and h were voiced in all environments. Consequently, the low or rising tone was realized on following vowels and the high or falling tone was induced on preceding vowels. Some of the Western Pahari dialects have remained at this stage, since tones are still allophonic in these dialects.

Stage II is characterized by a change which devoiced the Indo-Aryan aspirates and  $\underline{h}$  in initial environment in a large dialect area, including not only Punjabi and Pahari, but also Hindi (where initially, the voiced aspirates are phonetically lax voiceless aspirated stops, and where initial  $\underline{h}$  is voiceless). As the result of this devoicing, the low tone following initial 'voiced' aspirates and  $\underline{h}$  become unpredictable, since the phonetically voiceless articulation of these segments would predict high tone. On the other hand, the tones were still recoverable from voiced aspirates and  $\underline{h}$  in medial position. This is the stage at which some Pahari dialects stopped in their development. In short, the following phonological situation emerged.

Stage III is characterized by a development shared by Punjabi,
Kashmiri, and some of the Pahari dialects, namely a process of deaspiration
affecting the old voiced aspirates. This was accompanied by a loss of

voiced /fi/ (in non-initial environments). These developments rendered the tones in Punjabi (and some of the Pahari dialects) unpredictable in all positions. Thus, the following phonological situation prevailed at this stage.

Note that since Kashmiri had not participated in the developments of stage I and II, in this dialect, the deaspiration process resulted in the actually attested voiced unaspirated stops, found in all environments, cf. the following examples.

/ghora/ 'horse' : /gur/
/jhīl/ 'lake' : /jīl/
/dhotī/ 'dhati/saree' : /dūt'/
/gəmbhīr/ 'serious' : /gəmbīr/

Stage IV represents a slight phonetic adjustment in Punjabi: The initial voiceless lax aspirated stops had, by deaspiration, resulted in voiceless lax unaspirated stops (e.g. bh > b # \_\_\_\_) The resulting, very rich, unaspirated stop system (p: b: b) then apparently was simplified by the merger of the voiceless lax stops (b etc.) with the corresponding voiceless tense stops (b etc.).

- 1.3.7: The hypothesis developed in the preceding section thus not only provides for a principled phonetic explanation of Punjabi tones. 3 It also accounts for the 'aberrant' developments in some of the Pahari dialects (as more archaic stages in the same general development). And it relates those developments to other, more general phenomena found also in neighboring Indo-Aryan dialects, namely the voiceless (lax) character of initial 'voiced' aspirates and h in Hindi, and the deaspiration of the voiced aspirates in Kashmiri.
- 2.1: In addition to the changes discussed so far, it is necessary to assume a change which shifts low tone from (initial) unaccented syllables to

following accented syllables; cf. Set II in section 1.3.1 above.

2.2: Accent plays a role also in the case of original medial voiced aspirates or <u>h</u>. As indicated in section 1.3.2, there is a tendency to assign tone to the syllable preceding such a segment only if that syllable is accented. Otherwise, the <u>following</u> syllable is accented.

However, this tendency is by no means as strong and regular as the tone shift tendency discussed in the preceding section. As a matter of fact, there is apparently a contrary, even stronger tendency, namely to always place the high tone on the vowel preceding the aspirate or  $\underline{h}$ , whether that vowel is accented or not. Compare the following examples:

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/sŪbav/ 'nature' > [sŪbav]

/vðdhaī/ 'felicitations' > [vɔ̃daī]

/sðhara/ 'support' > [sɔ̃arā]

/prðbhu/ 'God' > [prðbu]
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Some words, in fact, may appear with both accentuations; cf.  $/n\partial h\vec{i}/'n\alpha' > [n\partial \vec{i}]$  or  $[n\partial \vec{i}]$ .

Whatever the explanation of these two opposite tendencies may be, however, it seems that in paradigms, the two different patterns produced by these tendencies are utilized to differentiate potential homonyms. cf. the following synchronic derivations.

That we are in fact dealing with disambiguating developments is shown by the synchronic derivation of yet another potential homonym:

/p∂rh+a/ 'study + Past m.sg' → [p∂rIa]

Notice that the assignment of low tone to the causative suffix follows the general synchronic pattern of causative formation in Punjabi; cf. section 3.1 below.

2.3: An apparently recent phonetic development is the loss of tone sandhi.

Bailey (1915:IX) described Punjabi and Lahnda as having four tones:
(1) high, (2) level, (3) deep (i.e. low), and (4) a combination of the first and third tone. Thus, according to him, tone sandhi takes place when the structural descriptions of both the low and the high tone developments are simultaneously satisfied, as in

/dhahī/ 'knocked down(fem)' ; [tāi]

(Here the initial aspirate predicts a low toned  $\underline{\hat{a}}$ , while the following  $\underline{h}$  predicts a high toned  $\hat{a}$ .)

However, it appears that since Bailey's time, tone (4) has merged with the low tone: Later observers report only three tones, with low tone occurring instead of Bailey's fourth tone: of the following examples.

/bhabhī/ 'sister-in-law' : [pābī] (Bahri 1972:242) /dhūdh/ 'search' : [tūnd] (Sharma 1971:44)

- 3: As the discussion in section 2.2 has shown, some of the phonetic changes so far discussed clearly have become morphologized. This is hardly surprising, considering that tone became phonetically unpredictable at the fairly early stage II. Other morphologizations include the following
- 3.1: Causatives of roots with high tone synchronically always lose that tone and have a low tone on the causative suffix; cf. the following correspondences.

  First Caus.

  2nd Caus.

/pôrh/ 'study' pôrà 2nd Caus /bújj/ 'turn-off' bujà bujwà

3.2: All mid tone stems get the high tone in the imperative ordinary plural, the Hortative 2nd plural, and the future tense forms. (That is, these forms act as if they once had a medial  $\underline{h}$ .)

stemimp. ord. pl.Hor. 2nd. pl.future/pa/'to put on' pãopãopáuŋga/13e/'to take'13wo13wagge

- 3.3: In section 1.3.1, the examples in Set (I) indicated that historically the low tone is assigned to a vowel immediately following the voiced aspirates and (sonorant) + h. The data presented in set (II) demonstrated that synchronically, however, the low tone must fall on the same syllable as the accent. However, examples such as kdra 'pitcher' and kdra 'horse' cannot be accounted for by such a synchronic development. Since in examples such as kdra and kdra the accented vowel /a/ is a nominal masc.sg. marker these exceptions can be explained as the result of nominal paradigm constraint on the shift of low tones to accented syllables; i.e. the shift of low tones fails to operate across nominal morpheme boundaries.
- 4: Since the tones developed in Punjabi as a consequence of regular sound change, the question arises whether in the synchronic grammar of Punjabi,

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tones should be represented at the level of underlying representation or whether they should be derived by a set of rules in terms of underlying voiced aspirates or  $\underline{h}$ , comparable to their derivation in the diachronic grammar of Punjabi. In what follows, I will examine the issues and conclude that tones have to be posited in the underlying representation of the synchronic grammar of Punjabi.

- 4.1: The following facts favor the 'derivational' hypothesis. It seems that tones are predictable and native speakers of Punjabi derive them by a set of internalized tone assignment rules:
- (1) Even the uneducated speaker, when he reads his sacred text, <u>Ādi Granth</u>, which is written in Medieval Punjabi and in the Grumukhī script, assigns tones to graphemes such as voiced aspirates.
- (2) If those uneducated people who have never visited Hindi-speaking areas are given Hindi words with a voiced aspirate, they automatically assign tones to them.
- (3) Proper names, such as my last name, are pronounced with voiceless unaspirated stops and with the low tone on the following vowel (such as [pātia] for /bhatia/) in the speech of uneducated Punjabi speakers. On the other hand, if any uneducated speaker of Punjabi is put into a Hindi-speaking environment, he can derive the Hindi cognates of the corresponding Punjabi words. (Code switching with Hindi is very common among Punjabis, since Hindi has a higher status.)

The above facts suggest that somehow the speaker of modern Punjabi is familiar with the derivational history of his lexicon and assigns tones to a lexical item which does not have tone. The underlying reasons for such a process can be linguistic or non-linguistic (e.g. religion, the recitation of Adi Granth, etc.). Also, they suggest that the tone-assignment rules seem to have some psychological reality for the speakers of Punjabi. Thus, an analysis which does not synchronically derive tones may be considered to fail to capture a significant generalization of the language and the psychological reality of tone rules in the synchronic grammar of Punjabi. Also, it will fail to account for the relationship between the orthography and the pronunciation.

- 4.2: On the other hand, it is not certain that the above facts require the assumption of a 'derived' status for the Punjabi tones.
  - (1) It can be argued that when an uneducated Punjabi reads his

sacred text, he substitutes tones for voiced aspirates since he is familiar with the synchronic pronunciation. Such a situation can be compared with English. For example, an English speaker knows that the  $\underline{k}$  in  $\underline{knife}$  is silent.

- (2) the fact that a Punjabi speaker assigns tones to Mindi words can be explained by 'etymological' nativization. The native speakers of Punjabi observes pattern such as the following in the common lexicon of Hindi and Punjabi. The correspondence between Mindi bhV and Punjabi bt in inherited words enables the native speaker to transfer the pattern to other, non-inherited words, leading to the substitution of hindi bhV for Punjabi bt (or vice versa). The generalization of this pattern sometimes leads to ill-formed outputs of 'Punjabiized' Mindi. Thus, words such as pandar 'storage' are pronounced as pandar in Mindi by Punjabi speakers, rather than the correct Mindi form bhandar.
- (3) The voiced aspirates never appear on the surface, and thus, postulating them at the underlying level would be a highly abstract analysis.
- 4.3: What cinches the argument against the 'derivational' status of Punjabi tone is the fact noted in sections 2.2.2 and 3.1-3 above, namely that tone has become morphologized and thus is no longer predictable in terms of underlying aspiration or h.

Thus, tones have to be represented at the level of underlying representation in the synchronic grammar of Punjabi.

- 5: The following conclusions can be drawn from the above discussion:
- (1) Mistorically, tones were induced by voiced aspirates or voiced [h]. The low or rising tone was realized after it, and the high or falling tone before it.
- (2) The unpredictable morphology and the non-occurrence of voiced aspirates and medial  $\underline{h}$  at the surface level constitute major arguments against deriving tones by a set of synchronic rules. Thus, tones are a part of the underlying representation.
- (3) Synchronically, tones usually fall on accented vovels. Lowever, this distribution is subject to paradigmatic and transparency constraints.

#### Footnotes

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Note, however, that there is some disagreement concerning the phonetic characterization of Punjabi tones. The following table presents the various views on this subject.

	Low Tone			
Bailey (1915:IX)	'deep or low-rising'			
Bahl (1957:143)	'The glide of this tone starts at a low level, falls down, and rises to the mid level'			
Gill (1960:11)	'low onset followed by a higher pitch rising to mid level'			
Sampat (1964:110)	'rising tone in the beginning of utterance, falls slightly, and then rises'			
Sethi (1971:2)	'on a rising-falling tone syllable, pitch rises from low to mid level and then there is a fall'			
Bahri (1972:xviii)	'/'/ is marked by falling pitch contour from a high level to a low level.			
High Tone				
Bailey (1915:IX)	'high-or rising-falling'			
Bahl (1957:145)	'starts at about mid level, rises high, and falls down'			
Gill (1960:11)	'rising onset followed by the same pitch //.'			
Sampat (1964:110)	'begins at a higher valuefalls off steeply'			
Sethi (1971:2)	'on a falling tone syllable, the pitch falls from high to mid level.'			

 $<sup>^3\</sup>mathrm{As}$  noted in the preceding footnote, there is some disagreement on the phonetic nature of Punjabi tones. It seems that two conflicting patterns are currently found in the production of the low and the high tone. In one dialect (D<sub>1</sub>), the low tone is characterized by a low-rising pitch and the high tone by high-falling pitch. Most linguists subscribe to this characterization of Punjabi tone. However, there is another tonal dialect (D<sub>2</sub>). In D<sub>2</sub>, the low tone starts high and falls,

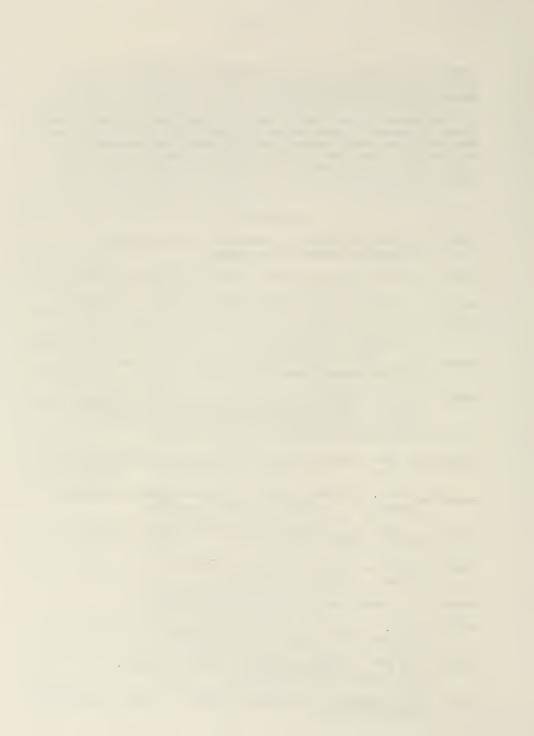
whereas the high tone starts low and rises. Bahri subscribes to this phonetic characterization of Punjabi. Also my own dialect of Punjabi seems to belong to this dialect.

Historically,  $D_1$  no doubt presents the oldest tonal characteristics, whereas  $D_1$  represents a new pattern which started at Stage II. At this stage in  $D_2$ , the voiced aspirates and  $\underline{h}$  apparently were reanalyzed as unvoiced in all environments. Since voiceless segments are [+ high], a high or falling tone was realized after them, and a low or rising tone before them.

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## THE DIACHRONIC DEVELOPMENT OF NASAL DELETION IN OLUTSOUTSO

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- 1. Introduction. This paper discusses the historical development of a rule deleting nasals in the OluTsootso dialect of (Olu)Luhya, a Bantu language of Kenya. The discussion is based largely on evidence from internally reconstructed historical developments, although the comparative data from Guthrie (1971,passim) is also cited. I shall first establish the relative chronology of certain nasal interactions and other sound changes. I shall then trace the extension of the rule of nasal deletion to certain roots, and demonstrate that this extension is a relatively recent development. We shall find that the rule is now conditioned partly in terms of morphological categories; its failure to apply in one such category (for certain roots) leads to an interesting discussion and hypothesis concerning the theory of markedness. The extension of this rule into Swahili loan words leads to certain complications which are discussed. Finally, a summary of the findings is presented in an historical scenario describing the diachronic development of the nasal deletion rule vis-a-vis other historical rules.
- 2.1. The rule of nasal deletion applies regularly and without exception when the voiceless fricatives f,s,s, and x follow nasal prefixes:

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/iN-fula/
                   --> ifula
                                       'rain'
                  -- fiimba
/N-fiimb-a/
                                       'Cover me'
                  --> tsiisiche2
                                       'locusts'
/tsiN-siche/
                 --> eseenaanga<sup>3</sup>
/eN-seen-ng-a/
                                       'I trample'
                                    'It (class 7)4 is it'
/N-shi-e-shi-no/ --> shieshino
                                       'It (cl.12) is it'
/N-xa-a-xa-no/
                   --> xaaxano
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There is some evidence from internal reconstruction showing that these fricatives may not be original proto-consonants. Archaic forms and synchronic phonotactics suggest that these elements were derived from stops, and there is corroborating evidence from Guthrie (1971:passim) who does not postulate these fricatives for the proto language. Deviously, therefore, nasal deletion could not have existed at the proto-stage in its present form. Le can assume that fairly soon after the proto-stage, these consonants did appear, and that the nasal deletion process then applied. This is supported by the fact that the rule is completely regular when these consonants follow nasals, having had time to work through the language completely. This will

contrast with the circumstances surrounding certain other consonants and nasal deletion, which are discussed below.

3.1. We shall next consider h-initial roots when prefixed by nasals. The following h-initial roots surface as b-initial when a nasal precedes:

/N-heeng-a/ --> mbeenga 'Look at me'
/eN-hon-ng-i-a/ --> emboniinjia 'I save'
/N-huuts-a/ --> mbuutsa 'Fan me'
/iN-halaBa/' --> imbalaBa 'Brave (cl.9)'

Since a  $h \rightarrow b/N$  rule does not seem very plausible on phonetic grounds, one would immediately look to the historical situation for an explanation. A likely candidate for the historical root-initial segment of these roots would seem to be \*p, since a rule of nasal voicing (which still exists) would produce b when a nasal precedes. The synchronic phonotactics support this proposal, because p is found in relatively few forms, having a very low functional load, while h is not so limited. Thus \*p as the historical source of h is motivated by the evidence from internal reconstruction fairly well.

3.2. However, what can also happen is that nasal prefixes are deleted before  $\underline{h}$ -initial roots, as the following examples show:

/N-heeng-a/ --> heenga 'Look at me'
/eN-haamb-ng-a/ --> ehaambaanga 'I catch
/N-hey-el-a/ --> heyela 'Adulterate for me'
/N-ha-a-ha-no/ --> haahano 'It (cl.16) is it'

Nasal deletion may apply whenever  $\underline{N}$  precedes  $\underline{h}$ , while the h-->b/N\_ rule may apply except when homophony would result<sup>7</sup>. In most cases, then, either rule could apply when nasals precede  $\underline{h}$ .

- 3.3. This situation finds a natural historical explanation if we consider the following points:
- (a)  $\underline{h}$ , a fricative element, would naturally be expected to condition nasal deletion, which regularly applies when other (voiceless) fricatives follow nasals:
- (b)On the other hand, historical  $*\underline{p}$  would not be expected to condition nasal deletion in OluTsootso<sup>8</sup>, since  $*\underline{p}$  is a non-continuant element. It is only after \*p became  $\underline{h}$  that nasal deletion could logically be expected to apply;
  - (c) forms with mb from /N-h/ are then residues from an older situation

in which \*p alternated with b after a nasal.

(d) Note that this development (in which nasal deletion optionally applies when h-initial roots follow nasals) differs from the situation discussed in section 2.1., where the voiceless fricatives regularly condition nasal deletion. Since we have assumed that the creation of the voiceless fricatives occured fairly soon after the proto-stage because of the regularity of nasal deletion, we can now reason that the change of \*p to h must have occured later than the creation of f,s, sh, and x. This would explain why a fair number of mb forms (from /N-h/) exist, whereas only one relic form of this type can be found involving a nasal prefix and a voiceless fricative (cf. footnote 5).

Thus, forms in which the nasals are deleted must be more modern than forms in which  $\underline{m}\underline{b}$  surfaces from synchronic /N-h/. The above evidence shows that the rule of nasal deletion must have been extended to these  $\underline{h}$ -initial roots after the change of \*p to h.

- 4. In this section I will discuss the evidence that the rule of nasal deletion is being extended to apply when nasals precede  $\underline{y}$  and  $\underline{r}$ -initial roots. For the purposes of exposition, I shall discuss first the nasal interactions for each group of roots.
- 4.1. When <u>y</u>-initial roots are preceded by nasals, surface  $\underline{nz}$  or  $\underline{\tilde{n}}$  may appear, as in the following:

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/iN-yofu/ --> inzofu 'elephant'
/tsiN-yuundo/ --> tsiinuundo 'hammers'
/iN-yiinda/ --> iniinda 'rich(cl.9)'
/eN-yaBil-ng-a/ --> enzaBilaanga 'I bury'
/N-yoomb-a/ 'Surpass me'
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As the above examples suggest, n appears when a nasal cluster is in the syllable following y; otherwise, nz appears when a nasal prefix precedes. 4.2. When r-initial roots are preceded by a nasal, a rule of nasal hardening may apply, and r becomes d:

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/iN-raBu/ --> indaBu 'pot'
/tsiN-rutsu/ --> tsiindutsu 'eagles'
/iN-rechelefu/ --> indechelefu 'attentive(cl.9)'
/eN-rem-ng-a/ --> endemaanga 'I cut'
/N-ri-i-s-i-a/ --> ndiisia 'Frighten me'
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4.3. However, what may also happen is that the rule of nasal deletion may apply in cases where y and r-initial roots follow nasal prefixes 10:

# (a) y-initial roots:

/in-yiinda/ --> iyiinda 'rich(cl.9)'
/tsin-yu/ --> tsiiyu 'warm(cl.10)'
/en-yaBil-ng-a/ --> eyaBilaanga 'I bury'
/n-yoomb-a/ --> yoomba 'Surpass me'

# (b) r-initial roots:

/iN-rechelefu/ --> irechelefu 'attentive (cl.9)'
/tsiN-raambi/ --> tsiiraambi 'tall (cl.10)'
/eN-rem-ng-a/ --> eremaanga 'I cut'
/N-ri-i-s-i-a/ --> riisia 'Frighten me'

4.4. Once again the question arises as to the relative antiquity of the nasal processes. It will be the purpose of the following sections to determine this, relying heavily on evidence from internal reconstruction. In section 4.4.1., y-initial roots will be discussed; r-initial roots are examined in section 4.4.2.

4.4.1. As I hope to have shown elsewhere (Dalgish 1974,1975a), the nz/n alternations found when nasals precede y-initial roots parallel the nasal interactions appearing when vowel-initial roots are preceded by a nasal. The nasal of a nasal prefix appears as n before vowel-initial roots if the first syllable of the root contains a nasal or nasal cluster; elsewhere it appears as nz. It is therefore logical to assume that these y-initial and vowel-initial roots had a common ancestor, \*y, and that vowel-initial roots have lost the initial consonant. Now, if both groups of roots descended from \*y-initial roots, the rules producing nz/n from /N-\*y/ must have existed prior to the rule of \*y-loss. This is simply because \*y is the only segment which would have produced the nz/n forms. After the rule of \*y-loss, some roots then continued as y-initial, and others became vowel-initial, while nz/n alternations continued for both groups of roots when preceded by a nasal.

The rules producing  $\underline{nz}/\underline{n}$  thus applied historically prior to the rule of \*y-loss, prior to the development of phonemically distinct y-initial and vowel-initial roots, and thus apply to both types of roots. On the other hand, nasal deletion applies only when y-initial roots follow nasal prefixes, and never when vowel-initial roots follow nasals. This development can easily be

explained if we propose that the rule of \*y-loss applied before the rule of nasal deletion began to affect nasals preceding y-initial roots. Thus, the nasal deletion process (conditioned by y) is a more modern development than the nasal interaction rules producing  $nz/\bar{n}$ .

- 4.4.2. The evidence from nasal interactions with r-initial roots indicates that nasal deletion is a more recent development. ..e have seen that surface nd appears from /N-r/ as the consequence of masal hardening. Note, however, that surface nd can also be from underlying /N-t/ as the consequence of a nasal voicing process, widely attested in Bantu, and still found in OluTsoouso. From this it can be inferred that r is historically from \*t, and that surface nd forms might be from earlier \*/N-t/. Note that this parallels the development of h-initial roots, in that a voiced stop (b or d) is retained after a nasal, while the original segment (\*p or \*t) has undergone a sound shift. 4.5. Thus, the forms with surface nasal clusters from underlying /N-h/, /N-y/, and /N-r/ are the results of earlier phonological processes; forms in which nasals are deleted must therefore be more modern. In addition, we would not expect that the nasal deletion rule applied when the historical stops wp and \*t followed masal prefixes. Rather, masal deletion would apply only after the stops had changed into the continuant elements h and r. 5. At this point it might be best to summarize what we have discovered so far.
- We have been able to establish the following historical rule interactions and relative chronology:
- (a) nasal deletion followed the spirantization of the stops which created  $\underline{f}, \underline{s}, \underline{sh}$ , and  $\underline{x}$ ;
- (b) the spirantization of \*p to h and \*t to r followed the masal voicing rule (which created mb and nd sequences) and followed the spirantization process discussed in (a);
- (c) the rules producing  $nz/\bar{n}$  from /N-\*y/ must have preceded the rule of \*y-loss and the nasal deletion rule as it applies when y follows nasals;
- (d) the application of nasal deletion when  $\underline{y}$ -, $\underline{h}$ -, and  $\underline{r}$ -initial roots follow nasal prefixes is a more recent development than any of the above.
- 6. There is an interesting parallel development concerning <u>y</u> and <u>r</u>-initial roots and nasal deletion. This is an unexpected restriction of the rule in a certain morphological category. In section 4.3., examples were given in which

the rule of nasal deletion applied when  $\underline{y}$ - and  $\underline{r}$ -initial roots followed nasal prefixes. The alert reader may have noticed that no nouns are included in those examples. It so happens that noun roots beginning with  $\underline{y}$  or  $\underline{r}$  fail to condition nasal deletion, whereas verbal and adjectival roots do condition the rule. Consider the following nominal forms:

## (a) y-initial:

/iN-yoxa/ --> inzoxa, \*iyoxa 'snake'
/tsiN-yofu/ --> tsiinzofu,\*tsiiyofu 'elephants'
/iN-yani/ --> inani, \*iyani 'baboon'
/tsiN-yuundo/--> tsiinuundo,\*tsiiyuundo 'hammers'

## (b) r-initial:

/iN-raBu/ --> indaBu, \*iraBu 'pot'
/tsiN-rutsu/--> tsiindutsu, \*tsiirutsu 'eagles'

Notice that a purely phonological distinction cannot be maintained here, because adjectival  $\underline{y}$ - and  $\underline{r}$ -initial roots, which are preceded by the same prefixes /iN/ and /tsiN/ as nominal  $\underline{y}$ - and  $\underline{r}$ -initial roots, do optionally condition nasal deletion, while nowns do not. Thus, the distinction must be stated morphologically, stipulating that nasal deletion may optionally apply when  $\underline{y}$ - and  $\underline{r}$ -initial verbal and adjectival roots follow nasals, but not when nominal roots do so.

The fact that nasal deletion is limited in exactly the same way with respect both to the y-initial roots and to the r-initial roots is quite striking. Instead of merely stating the facts, by claiming that there are morphological restrictions on the rule of nasal deletion, I would like to attempt to formulate an explanation based on general principles, to account for this phenomenon. The arguments and evidence leading to the explanation are somewhat involved, and I request the reader's indulgence in dealing with them.

6.1. The first thing we should do is examine more closely the morphological categories involved. It so happens that the nominal  $\underline{y}$ - and  $\underline{r}$ -initial roots which block the application of nasal deletion all surface as nouns of the 9/10 class with singular and plural prefixes /iN/ amd /tsiN/, respectively. Now, the nasal interaction rules of OluTscotso often effectively neutralize the underlying root-initial distinctions. This is illustrated below:

surface nasal (cluster)	underlying source	examples	
nz	/N-ts/	inzala	(
		'hunger'	
	/N-y/ .	inzofu	(
	•	'elephant'	
ñ	/N-n/	inama	(
		'meat'	۸.
	/N-y/	inani	(
		'baboon'	
nd	/N-1/	indaBushi	(
		'stick'	
	/N-t/	inda	(
		'stomach'	
	/N-r/	indutsu	(
		'eagle'	

Since surface z and d occur only after nasals, we would not want to analyze nz or nd forms as underlying /N-z/ or /N-d/. In that case, however, it is impossible to unambiguously determine the underlying root-initial segments on the basis of the evidence of the surface forms nz, n and nd which appear in the normal singular and plural class 9/10 forms. In order to determine the underlying root-initial segment of these forms, recourse must rather be made to the diminutive or augmentative forms, because the prefixes of these classes are non-nasal. Thus, the diminutive singular forms (cl.12) of the 9/10 class nouns cited above are as follows:

inzala	'hunger'	axa-tsala	'small hunger'
inzofu	'elephant'	axa-yofu	'small elephant'
inama	'meat'	axa-nama	'small meat'
inani	'baboon'	axa-yani	'small baboon'
indaBushi	'stick'	axa-laBushi	'small stick'
inda	'stomach'	axa-ta	""tummy"
indutsu	'eagle'	axa-rutsu	'small eagle'

Thus, the diminutive forms allow the underlying root-initial segments to surface without being neutralized by the various nasal interactions.

6.2. We shall next take note of certain markedness considerations pertaining

to the nouns we are discussing. Observe that the diminutive and augmentative forms are semantically marked categories, whereas the class 9/10 singular and plural forms represent the unmarked, "nomal" forms. This means that the semantically unmarked forms surface with nz, n, and nd, that is, forms in which underlying distinctions have been neutralized by morphophonemic rule interactions (involving nasals).

Now it has been proposed that there is a tendency for speakers to analyze the semantically unmarked forms as morphophonemic base forms (Vennemann 1972). If there is such a tendency, then speakers of OluTsootso should attempt to analyze the class 9/10 forms (the semantically unmarked forms) as the base forms for morphophonemic processes. But we have just seen that the class 9/10 forms are actually derived morphophonemically, and are not in fact "base" forms. Thus, the tendency to analyze semantically unmarked forms as the base forms for morphophonemic processes conflicts with the evidence of the actual morphophonemic analysis in these cases.

If speakers do attempt such an analysis, it is easy to see why masal deletion would not apply. The speaker's attempted analysis of the z, n, and d-initial forms as being "basic" for morphophonemic processes contradicts the phonological analysis, and in a sense obscures the fact that the roots involved are actually y and r-initial. So, if an analysis of these roots as y- or r-initial is inhibited by these facts, then of course it becomes more difficult to identify the conditioning factors (y and r) for the nasal deletion process. And if the conditioning factors cannot be identified, then the rule would not be expected to apply.

It should be pointed out that, contrary to fact, there is actually good reason to expect that nasal deletion should apply when these y and r-initial roots are preceded by nasals. This is because the application of the rule would actually serve to disambiguate between the various possible underlying sources

for surface  $nz/\bar{n}$  and nd. That is, if nasal deletion were to apply to forms like /iN-yofu/, /iN-yani/, and /iN-rutsu/, surface  $nz/\bar{n}$  would not result from underlying /N-y/ and /N-r/. Thus, some potential ambiguity would be eliminated in the surface forms of 9/10 class nouns, and there would be no need to obtain diminutive or augmentative forms to determine underlying root-initial segments. 13

But as we have seen, nasal deletion does not apply when these y and r-initial nominal roots are preceded by nasals, despite the fact that its application would be motivated in order to avoid ambiguity. This seems to be further evidence then that speakers are avoiding an analysis of these roots as y and r-initial, because they would have excellent reason to apply nasal deletion if the roots did contain the conditioning elements y and r. 6.4. Notice then that these forms present a rather interesting problem. Current phonological theory would require us to analyze these forms as y or r-initial roots, because of the alternation evidence from the diminutive and augmentative forms, and because of the limited distribution of z and d. Yet we have seen that there is evidence suggesting that speakers are not analyzing these roots as y or r-initial, at least with respect to masal deletion. Although it is easy enough to claim that nominal y and r-initial roots exceptionally do not condition masal deletion, this is a non-explanatory and unsatisfying "solution". A more satisfactory explanation would be to claim that forms which are in conflict with the tendency to analyze semantically unmarked forms as morphophonemic base forms are derived by means of rather different processes than the conventional methods involving unambiguous underlying forms. To what degree this can be postulated as a universal tendency is a question which cannot be answered here; neither can the actual nature of the processes deriving these forms be adduced from this one example. 6.5. Turning now to verbal and adjectival forms, we find that there the situation with respect to markedness is completely different. y or r-initial roots would be neutralized by nasals only when the first person singular subject or object prefix precedes verbal roots. Since semantic markedness for verbs usually involves tense/aspectual distinctions, no subject or object prefix is significantly more marked than another. So, unmarked semantic forms are the non-neutralized base forms for morphophonemic processes, and no conflic of the sort mentioned above for class 9/10 nouns exists.

Similar results obtain for adjectival roots. Since adjectival roots can be preceded by all (semantically plausible) noun class prefixes, it is again fairly easy to determine the underlying root-initial segment of a particular adjective. And the root-initial segment can be determined without recourse to the semantically marked categories such as the diminutive or augmentative. Instead, an adjectival root can occur with any of the unmarked, normal singular and plural prefixes of nouns of almost any class.

So, for verbs and adjectives, morphophonemic neutralization occurs relatively infrequently, but more importantly, the morphophonemic neutralization that does occur does not involve significant interference with the determination of base forms, and so no conflict with the markedness tendency described above can occur.

Now, as we have seen in the case of verbal and adjectival formations, nasal deletion can apply when y and r-initial roots are preceded by a nasal. It does not seem to be a coincidence that the forms which present no difficulties with respect to the markedness tendency are also those forms which do not pose a problem with respect to masal deletion. Conversely, those nominal forms which do represent a conflict with respect to markedness are the very forms which present a problem pertaining to the application of nasal deletion. 6.6. To summarize, the fact that masal deletion is conditioned by y- and rinitial verbal and adjectival roots, but not by class 9/10 nominal roots, can be explained by considering the tendency to postulate semantically unmarked forms as morphophonemic base forms. A conflict arises for y- and r-initial nominal roots of the 9/10 class, because the semantically unmarked forms are not in fact the morphophonemic base forms. This conflict interferes with the determination of the root-initial segment as /y/ or /r/. And this interference prevents the rule of nasal deletion from applying. For verbal and adjectival roots, no such markedness conflicts occur, and masal deletion applies freely.

6.7. This discussion additionally provides further evidence that masal deletion has only recently begun to apply before y and r-initial roots. If this rule had appeared earlier than the rules producing nz/n and nd, we might have expected it to affect masals preceding nominal roots as easily as

verbal and adjectival roots. Instead, the masal deletion rule has appeared relatively late, and cannot affect the "entrenched" 9/10 class  $\underline{y}$  and  $\underline{r}$ -initial roots, which have been subject to other masal interaction rules.

- 7. The rule of nasal deletion has apparently recently begun to affect the nasal of the first person singular subject prefix /eN/ when the prefix is followed by object prefixes. This occurs even though the initial consonant of the object prefix may not normally condition nasal deletion.
- 7.1. Consider the following examples in which masal deletion must apply regularly:

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/eN-shi-kul-ng-a/ --> eshikulaanga 'I buy it(cl.7)'
/eN-xa-kul-ng-a/ --> exakulaanga 'I buy it (cl.12)'
/eN-xu-yaanz-ng-a/ --> exuyaanzaanga 'I like you'
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7.2. In the following examples, nasal deletion may optionally apply, although the segments  $\underline{B}$ ,  $\underline{ch}$ ,  $\underline{l}$ ,  $\underline{ts}$  and  $\underline{k}$  which follow the nasal do not normally condition nasal deletion:

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/eN-Ba-xup-ng-a/ --> eEaxupaanga/embaxupaanga 'I beat them'
/eN-chixup-ng-a/ --> echixupaanga/enjixupaanga 'I beat them(cl.4)'
/eN-li-xup-ng-a/ --> elixupaanga/endixupaanga 'I beat it(cl.5)'
/eN-tsi-xup-ng-a/ --> etsixupaanga/enzixupaanga 'I beat them (cl.10)'
/eN-ka-xup-ng-a/ --> ekaxupaanga/engaxupaanga 'I beat them (cl.6)'
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It appears then that nasal deletion may optionally apply before all obstruents when the first person singular subject prefix precedes object prefixes.

7.3. Another point of interest is that the nasal deletion rule may  $\underline{\text{not}}$  apply when the  $\underline{\textbf{l}}$ -initial tense/aspect prefixes directly follow /eN/:

/eN-li-xup-ng-a/ --> endixupaanga/\*elixupaanga 'I will be beating'
/eN-la-xup-ng-a/ --> endaxupaanga/\*elaxupaanga 'I om (now) beating'
Note that /li/ the distant future marker does not condition nasal deletion,
whereas /li/ the class 5 object marker (cf.7.2 above) does optionally
condition the rule. Thus, the nasal deletion rule must specifyt that only
object prefixes may condition the rule, and not tense infixes, even though both
prefixes may be phonologically identical. Thus, a high degree of
morphologization has crept into the specification of the nasal deletion rule.

8. There is an interesting development concerning loan words and nasal deletion that merits some discussion. Nouns which are borrowed from Swahili into the 9/10 class in OluTsootso show evidence of a process of nasal deletion

which is far more general than the process we have been discussing, and which presents certain problems regarding rule ordering.

8.1. The following loan words from Swahili can be shown to be members of the 9/10 class in OluTsootso by virtue of the fact that these nouns require class 9/10 concordial agreement markers in all relevant morphological categories. It would therefore be pointless to consider these nouns as comprising a separate noun class. Notice now, that, however, the nasals of the class 9/10 prefixes have obviously been deleted in these loan words, although the initial consonants of some of the roots should not normally condition nasal deletion:

Swahili source	OluTsootso sg. and pl.	Gloss
barafu	ibarafu	ice
chai	ichai/tsichai	tea/-s
chela	ichela/tsichela <sup>14</sup>	jail/-s
kalamu	ikalaamu/tsikalaamu	pen/-s
mesa	imesa/tsimesa llı	table/-s
bendera	ipeendera/tsipeendera	flag/-s
simu	isiimu/tsisiimu	telegram/-s
taa	itaha/tsitaha	lamp/-s

Notice that in these examples, consonants like  $\underline{b}$ ,  $\underline{p}$ ,  $\underline{ch}$ ,  $\underline{k}$  and  $\underline{t}$  are conditioning nasal deletion, whereas elsewhere in the language, this would never occur before roots (nasal voicing would apply instead). Apparently, loan words must be marked lexically as conditioning nasal deletion, no matter what the root-initial consonant is.

of further interest is the length of the vowel of the class 10 prefix /tsi./ in these examples. As the examples of native words in preceding sections show, the surface vowel of this prefix is typically long. Thus, /tsiN-siche/--> tsiisiche, 'locusts'. This can be shown to be the result of the rule of prenasal cluster lengthening (PNCL), which is ordered prior to nasal deletion (of. footnote 2). Thus, /tsiN-siche/becomes intermediate /tsiN-siche/ by PNCL, and then surfaces as tsiisiche after nasal deletion applies. But as the above examples show, in loan words the vowel of /tsiN/ is not lengthened: /tsiN-kalaamu/ -> tsikalaamu, \*tsiikalaamu, 'pens'. Compare also /tsiN-siimu/--> tsisiimu, \*tsiisiimu, 'telegrams'. This suggests that the nasal deletion process for loan words must be kept distinct from the nasal deletion process for native words 15.

- 8.2. A sociolinguistic motivation for the appearance of nasal deletion in these loan words suggests itself. Then speakers overgeneralize the nasal deletion rule, and bypass the effects of PNCL, the effect is to (a) more closely approximate the pronunciation of thesource language Swahili, because the source items are therefore not affected by the (neutralizing) native rule of nasal voicing; (b) mark these forms as "unusual", since they do not conform to the regular rules or rule orderings of OluTsootso. Furthermore, it seems reasonable to believe that the ability to recognize and produce distinctions between native and borrowed words would enhance the status of the speaker.
- 8.3. For our purposes, it is enough to note that the nasal deletion process for loan words represents a further extension of the regular rule, which would not normally apply to nasals when stop or affricate-initial roots follow. Since loan words from Swahili and English are probably fairly recent acquisitions 16, it is reasonable to conclude that this extension of the nasal deletion process is also relatively recent.
- 9. The evidence and discussion from the preceding sections, based largely on internal reconstruction, leads to the following historical scenario of the development of the nasal deletion rule, and the relative chronology of certain other sound changes:

Stage I: 17

- (a) /CVC/ roots in the majority of forms
- (b) nasal voicing and related rules account for /N-p/- $\rightarrow$ mt, /N-t/- $\rightarrow$ nd; /N-y/- $\rightarrow$ nz/ $\bar{n}$ .
- (c) voiceless fricatives not yet created; nasal deletion probably does not exist.
- Stage II: (a) Masal deletion begins to apply as the voiceless fricatives  $\underline{f}, \underline{s}, \underline{sh}$  and  $\underline{x}$  are formed via spirantization (cf. footnote 5)
- Stage III: (a) \*y-loss rule enters the language, creating phonemically distinct y-initial and vowel-initial roots, while nz/n alternations continue
  - (b) \*p> h and \*t>r, while mb and nd (respectively) remain.
- Stage IV: (a) Nasal deletion optionally begins to affect nasals prefixed to newly created <u>h</u> and <u>r</u>-initial roots; eventually it spreads to <u>y</u>-initial roots
  - (b) nasal deletion does not affect the nasals preceding the

Stage V:

y- and r-initial roots of the 9/10 class
Increased generalization of the nasal deletion rule results in:
(a) the nasal of the first person singular subject prefix is deleted optionally before affricate-,liquid-, and stop-initial object prefixes, but not before tense/aspectual prefixes
(b) loan words from Swahili in the 9/10 class condition a special, highly generalized version of the nasal deletion process, which may also account for the failure of PMCL to affect the vowel of the class 10 prefix /tsim/.

### Footnotes

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 $^{3}\!\mathrm{A}$  vowel copy process copies the vowel following /ng/ to the left. The vowel is then lengthened by PNCL.

Hantu languages are characterized by an elaborate system of concordial agreement. The system involves a number of noun classes which govern agreement processes on adjectives, subject and object prefixes, and in other categories. These classes have been assigned class numbers in various Bantu languages, and may often be used in pairs to indicate the singular and plural forms. In a later discussion, I shall refer to "nouns of the 9/10 class", which actually means "the singular and plural forms of nouns which have the prefixes and concordial agreement associated with the classes numbered 9 and 10". The abbreviated forms referring to these nouns and noun classes should present no difficulties.

 $^{5}$ An archaic form for xaaxano (< /N-xa-a-xa-no/) 'It (cl.12) is it' is ngaaxano. The initial ng sequence is evidence that x is from \*k, because /N-k/does yield ng by a nasal voicing and assimilation process.

These fricatives are limited distributionally in the following ways: there are very few s-final verb roots, and no sh- and f-final verb roots; in an isolated example,  $\underline{f}$  appears from B in the causative: /tiB-i/--> tiBi/tifi, 'cause to lose', while other B-final forms do not show a  $\underline{B}/\underline{f}$  alternation.

Guthrie postulates \*p or \*b as the source of f when the "super-high vowels \*; and \*; follow. Similarly, s is derived from \*t or \*d when \*; follows. \*k is the source of x and sh; the latter appears before front vowels. There are of course some additional complexities in the historical development which do not however affect the points discussed above.

Guthrie's \*p does correspond to OluTsootso h in a large number of examples.

7 When masals are prefixed to B or p-initial roots, mb surfaces. The h-->b/N rule is blocked when the h-initial root is minimally distinct from a B-initial root:

/N-haamb-a/ 'Catch me' /N-Baamb-a/ --> mbaamba 'Sacrifice me'

--> haamba, \*mbaamba

/N-Beel-el-a/ 'Have pity on me'

'Breathe on me' --> heelelá, \*mbeelela

/N-heelel-a/

--> mbeelelá

There are further complications which do not affect the points discussed. For further discussion, cf. Dalgish (under preparation).

There is no evidence in OluTsootso to suggest that masals are deleted before voiceless stops (of roots), but at least two Eastern languages, Swahili and Chi-Mwi:ni, do show evidence of such a rule.

A dissimilation rule known as the Ganda Law simplifies certain morphophonemically derived nasal clusters in OluTsootso: /N-leer-a/->ndeera 'Bring me', but /N-liind-a/--> niinda, not \*ndiinda, 'wait for me'. Similarly, /iN-yofu/--> inzofu, 'elephant', but /iN-yuundo/--> inuundo, not \*inzuundo, 'hammer'.

10 Nasal deletion must apply when r-initial verbal roots are preceded by a nasal if nasal hardening would produce an homophonous nasal form nd from /N-1/:

/N-rek-a/ 'Trap me' --> reká, \*ndeká

/N-lek-a/ --> ndeka 'Despise me'

Nasal deletion does not apply before certain y-initial roots which surface with mb when a nasal precedes: /olu-yia/-> oluyia, people ; /tsiN-yia/ --> tsiimbia 'peoples, army'. This is discussed in Dalgish (under preparation). Other restrictions on masal deletion applying when y- and r-initial roots follow nasals are discussed later in this paper.

It seems that \*y was lost in root-initial position when short vowels followed, and either retained or re-inserted when long vowels followed. For further discussion, cf. Dalgish 1974, and Dalgish (under preparation).

12 Still another possibility is that speakers might attempt to analyze these roots as nz-, n-, or nd-initial. However, nasal cluster-initial roots do not usually occur in the language, and are never found in verbal roots, or in the 9/10 class nominal forms where a nasal would precede. (The only two examples of nasal-cluster-initial roots are /ndu/, 'person', and /nji/, 'many', neither of which can be directly preceded by a nasal prefix). A problem for

this analysis would still remain because of the alternation evidence provided by the diminutive and augmentative forms, which do not surface with a nasal-cluster in root-initial position. Thus, these  $\underline{nz}/\underline{n}$  and  $\underline{nd}$  forms are probably not analyzed as nasal-cluster-initial roots.

The ambiguity would still remain with respect to nd forms, which would then have only two possible sources: /N-t/ and /N-r/. At least this would be an improvement if a third source, /N-r/, were to be eliminated.

The first example is probably ultimately from English 'jail'; the second is from Portugeuse bandeira, 'flag'. These words were probably borrowed into Swahili, and then into OluTsootso.

 $^{15}\mathrm{One}$  way to accomplish this would be to order the special rule of nasal deletion for loan words prior to PNCL.

16 The fact that these loan words have resisted assimilation into the regular rules and rule orderings of OluTsootso seems to indicate that they have arrived relatively recently in the language. If they had been borrowed much earlier, we might have expected them to conform gradually to the phonological processes of the language more completely.

17 Comparative evidence would show that this stage is Proto-Bantu.

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# VARIABLE RULES IN THE LANGUAGE COMMUNITY A STUDY OF LAX [u] IN ENGLISH

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A major contribution to our understanding of language in society has come through the notion of systematic heterogeneity as expressed in a variable rule (Weinreich, Labov, and Herzog 1968). The linguistic and social components of a variable rule reflect the regularities in the link between language and society. For this reason, the rule is uniquely sociolinguistic.

In phonological research, the linguistic domain of a variable rule is most often the word class--a historical and pandialectal concept which defines as a unit all words sharing a particular phonological segment, referred to as a variable. In Labov's study of Martha's Vineyard, one variable was /aw/, as in house, out, round (Labov 1972). The rule specifies the environments which are subject to variability, and often their relative effect on the variable. Occasionally, the linguistic domain of a variable rule cuts across word classes. A classic example of a diaclass rule is consonant cluster simplification. This rule specifies the environmental constraints on the deletion of word final /t/ and /d/ from their clusters, as in best, friend. The social domain of a variable rule is typically the speech community -- a geographically and behaviorally defined unit consisting of all individuals who live in a certain area and share a similar interpretation of the social significance of the linguistic variables used among them (Labov 1971b; 209). It is with reference to a particular speech community that factors in the rule such as social class, ethnic group, age, sex, style, are interpretable.

This paper is a study of the environments in which lax [u] (the lax high back rounded nucleus of <u>foot</u>, <u>pull</u>) may appear in English. On the one hand, certain environments are the loci of change in two word classes. On the other hand, certain environments are involved in a diaclass change. In part, then, the linguistic parameter of the variable rules is the word class. The social parameter, however, is not the speech community, but rather the language community, defined by Halliday (1968:140-141) as all

those 'who regard themselves as using the same language'. This is a global concept spanning many speech communities. The sociolinguistic model developed for speech community research is extended here to explore language-level variability. The data in which this variability appears was gathered in a principled way from lexicographical sources and represents the standardized language.

## 1.0 Gathering data in the language community

In many ways, the considerations involved in gathering language community data are the same as those involved in gathering speech community data. Attention is drawn in this section to methodological comparisons of the two approaches.

1.1. Establishing the data source. Sociolinguistic researchers try to achieve a high level of accountability in their studies. They do this, in part, by gathering data from the target community by means of defensible sampling procedures. In speech community studies, concern for accountability takes the analyst to members of the speech community as primary sources of data. In language community studies, direct sampling is also possible. But for the individual researcher it is impractical; the language community encompasses a large number of speech communities. The investigator does not ordinarily have at his disposal the kind of resources which accompany large-scale lexicographical operations. However, because lexicographers attempt to represent the language community in their report of usage, dictionaries provide the researcher with an indirect way to gather language community data. Even with this indirect source of data, the language community researcher can attain a high level of accountability; his corpus of data is replicable, and his analysis is testable.

For this study, six late-edition British and American dictionaries were used as resources. The dictionaries consulted were the American heritage dictionary of the English language, 1973 (AH), Webster's eighth new collegiate dictionary, 1974 (NC), Webster's new world dictionary of the American language, 1970 (NW), Random House dictionary of the English language, 1973 (RH), Funk and Wagnall's standard college dictionary, 1973 (SC), and The shorter Oxford dictionary, 1966 (SO).

Since this study of the language community is based on lexicographical data, some comment is necessary about this source of data and about the variety of language it represents. In linguistic research, there is general skepticism about the value of dictionary data. This skepticism is not without foundation, for dictionaries are notoriously conservative reports. One source of conservatism has been the lexicographer's attempt to be prescriptive. In the past, more so than now, prescriptivism in lexicography has thrown dictionary reports into question. For example. lexicographers once based pronunciation information on how public orators felt words should be pronounced. This approach to lexicography is now beginning to give way to a more scientific approach. Linguistically sophisticated editors are using transcriptions of contemporary recordings and the findings of the Linguistic Atlas. Even among prescriptive dictionaries, multiple pronunciations for an entry are now commonplace. As Malmstrom (1958) showed in her study of prescriptive texts on English usage, when the texts are taken together, the full range of acceptable variation is present. So it is with dictionaries; their prescriptions are not all alike. Prescriptive and descriptive dictionaries collectively constitute a valuable data bank for the study of variability.

A second source of conservatism among dictionaries is the lexicographer's concern to report broadly accepted usage in the language community. Linguistic change, because it originates at the speech community level, cannot at the outset be called representative of language community usage. In time, perhaps, the innovations may become sufficiently widespread to support the claim of representativeness. At that time, and not before, such usage may be picked up and reported by lexicographers. The time which elapses between the innovation and the report makes dictionaries inherently conservative.

In short, a corpus based on pooled dictionary data will display variability despite prescriptivism, but, because variability is recorded in dictionaries only after it has spread throughout the language community, dictionary data does not represent the forefront of change. Nor should it, given the fact that the language variety being described is the pandialectal variety known as the standardized language. The term 'standardized' does not mean 'without variation' but rather 'codified',

'accepted by the community' (Stewart 1968:534; Ferguson 1968:31). This study, then, is a status report on variables in the standardized language. Although the normative variety of English is always changing as its variability shows, the change is so far removed from its origin in the speech community that every reader will be aware of speech community variation which has not yet permeated the language community. Such pioneering changes are topics for speech community research.

1.2. Sampling the strata. The researcher's data is either a sample, preferably random, or the entire population. In speech community work, random sampling increases the likelihood of obtaining unbiased, representative utterances from the various strata in the community. Labov suggests that a pattern characteristic of a particular stratum will emerge when the data of as few as five randomly selected individuals is pooled (Labov 1969:737). Pooling tends to offset individual deviations and keeps the focus on the community rather than on the individual.

For language community research, dictionaries cannot offer the investigator a random sample of data. However, the data from several dictionaries, when used collectively, can offer him nearly the entire population of target items found in the community. Thus, pooling data from several dictionaries serves the interest of determining a total community pattern. Not only does it insure a range of variability and counterbalance the idiosyncrasies of individual sources, as mentioned above, but it also assures comprehensive coverage of the topic.

In a speech community sample, the strata typically included are, at a minimum, social class and style (linguistic modifications responsive to verbal task or social situation). In this language community study, the same strata are included. More specifically, the usage of the educated sector is being sampled. It is, however, a usage which has become standardized. Although dictionaries differ in their definitions of standard usage, all consider their unmarked entries as acceptable in educated speech. When at least three of the six dictionaries leave an item unmarked, such an item is included in this study as standard English. As for style, there is no evidence that the variables in question are modified by situation of use. Accordingly, items

designated as informal or slang (and without regional qualifications) are combined with the unlabeled items.

1.3. Tapping the word class. Given a source of data for standardized educated usage, the researcher's next concern is to obtain from that source the desired data: instances of the word class in usable frequencies. For this study, the two word classes to be tapped have their historical origins before Modern English. One class is ME tense (or long) /o/, the other is ME lax (or short) /u/. Both of these classes happen to be well represented in spelling.

For the first word class, Pyles (1964:171) traces the course of change as follows. 'Middle English [o:], as in ro(o)te 'root', became [u:]. Shortening of [u:] to [u] has occurred in foot, good, book, look, took, and other words.' The raising of /o/ resulted from the Great Vowel Shift followed by the shift to [u]. To identify members of this class, orthographic clues are helpful, as Pyles notes (1964:147): 'If the Modern English sound is [u:], [U], or [\lambda], spelled oo, the Middle English sound is [o:], as in, respectively, Modern English food, foot, and flood, going back to Middle English [fo:de], [fo:t], and [flo:d].'

As for ME /u/, most of the word class members underwent a centralizing shift to [ $\land$ ] in Late Middle English and Early Modern English (Nichols 1974, Chomsky and Halle 1968:263, 269). This word class is now almost universally spelled with  $\langle u \rangle$ , as in <u>cut</u>, <u>put</u>, and pronounced either [ $\land$ ] or [u]. Specifically excluded is the class of words spelled with  $\langle u \rangle$  but pronounced [yuw] as in <u>cute</u>, <u>music</u>.

To this point, the two word classes have been identified historically; how are they identified in Modern English? In present-day English, there remains little if any evidence that the  $/\bar{o}/+[\bar{u}]$  rule is productive; it appears to have run its course. As a consequence, we have the Mod.E  $/\bar{u}/$  word class. Similarly, in the case of historical /u/, there is no evidence that the centralization process is still active. The words touched by the process form the Mod.E  $/\wedge/$  word class, while those untouched by the process fall into the Mod.E /u/ word class.

English dictionaries contain the majority of words which fall into these two classes. For the researcher who intends to use dictionaries

as a data source, a crucial question must be answered: Are all instances of the word classes equally acceptable for a language community study? The answer to this question must be, no. Although the language community analyst could ferret out and use every instance of a particular variable, he restricts his investigation to instances which provide unbiased data on the present-day language community. Certain instances of a variable must be omitted in order to counter several biases which would arise from the unprincipled use of dictionary resources.

The first bias to be avoided is that of region: word class members included in the study should be those held in common by the language community. One way to meet this condition is to include only items which are unmarked as to region. Thus, words designated as Scottish (e.g. brugh), Australian (e.g. goog), Anglo-Indian (e.g. goonda), British (e.g. bumph), or American (e.g. lunkhead), etc., are omitted. Proper names are also excluded, partly because of uncertain regional associations, and partly because of their uneven treatment from one dictionary to the next. In this connection, words derived from proper names are also omitted, e.g. Cushitic (cf. Cush). Another way to counter a regional bias which may arise out of lexicographical sampling procedures is to include only items which are attested in three or more of the six dictionaries.

A second bias to be avoided is that of obsolescence. Any item labeled in two or more dictionaries as archaic or obsolete is no longer representative of contemporary language community usage and is excluded, e.g. wood 'insane'.

A third bias to be avoided is that of weighting the frequency of items in a particular environment in favor of productive versus non-productive roots or stems. For example, the word <u>bulb</u> is included in the corpus but not <u>bulbous</u>, <u>bulbar</u>, and <u>bulbil</u>. In this way, the picture of language community behavior is not distorted by the accidental fact that a stem appears in a large number of derivatives. (This provision is qualified below.) By the same token, homophones from different (or questionably related) sources are preserved in the study. Thus, <u>bull</u> 'a kind of animal' from Anglo Saxon is entered, as well as <u>bull</u> 'papal

edict' from Latin. Homophones of this kind will be identified by subscripts, for example, <u>bull</u> and <u>bull</u>.

In addition to gathering the right data, researchers are also interested in gathering enough data—enough tokens of the word class to provide a statistic which reliably reflects the progress of change in the relevant environments. Researchers in the speech community, however, differ from those in the language community in what they count as tokens and how they arrive at their figures.

The speech community investigator focuses on the number, rather than on the diversity, of instances. That is, he accepts for his frequency count the same item as many times as an informant uses it. The assumption on which this approach is based is that all word class members falling into a variable environment are potentially variable and equally likely to exhibit the full range of variants. The important statistic, then, is a proportion: the number of times a particular variant appears among all the words (unique or repeated) in which it might have appeared in a given environment.

In language community work, the analyst uses a somewhat different statistic, namely, the proportion of unique words in an environment which fall into a given variant category (discussed below): categorically changed, categorically unchanged, or variably changed. To assure the uniqueness of words in the corpus, two tactics are employed. Not only are there no duplications in the data, but the repeated occurrence of productive roots is also restricted as mentioned above.

1.4. <u>Handling the variants</u>. Analysis can begin only after the data representing the community is transcribed. A fine phonetic transcription is sometimes needed for variants in speech community studies, but in language community studies the dictionary transcription is adequate and requires at most only transliteration.

In order to avoid confusing the sound changes under study with other phonological effects, certain words are excluded from consideration. First, all cases of vowel reduction are deleted. Only variants which carry some degree of stress are retained. Thus, the transcription of <u>pull</u> is relevant for the analysis, but the transcription of the initial vowel in <u>pullórum</u>

is not. Second, instances of the variables before /r/ are also omitted, e.g. poor. The postvocalic glide often has a diaclass laxing effect on tense vowels. This effect is kept separate from influences which are confined to a single word class.

From the transcription of individual words, the analyst constructs a <u>composite transcription</u> reflecting the reports of all dictionaries used. If for one word all six dictionaries report the same single variant, [uw], [u], or  $[\wedge]$ , the word is taken as invariant at the level of the standard language. Where one or more of the dictionaries report multiple pronunciations, or where the opinion of the six is somehow divided, the word can be viewed with confidence as variable,  $[u \sim \wedge]$  or  $[u \sim uw]$ , in the language community. The example in (1) illustrates this simple evaluation procedure. For the purposes of this study, no distinction is made among variable words between predominant variants and nonpredominant variants. Thus, the order in which dictionaries list variants is irrelevant.

(1)

	АН	NC	NW .	RH	sc	so	Composite Transcription
pull	[u]	[u]	[u] ··	[u]	[u]	[u]	[u]
pulpit	[u~^]	[u~^]	[u~^]	· [u~٨]	[u]	[u]	[u~^]
pulmonate	[u~^]	[u~^]	[^~u]	[^] "	·[^]	[^]	[u~n]
pulp	[^]	[^]	[^]	[^]	[^]	[^]-	[^]

This treatment of variants requires a refinement of the earlier condition that duplicated stems are eliminated. The refinement is simply that if two derivationally related words have different composite transcriptions, both words are retained in the study. Thus, <u>bull</u> 'papal edict' is given as [u] by all dictionaries and is therefore invariant in the language community; <u>bulla</u> 'seal on a bull' is given as variable,  $[\land \neg u]$ , in some dictionaries and invariant, [u], in others. It is therefore categorized as variable in the language community and included in the study together with <u>bull</u>.

## 2.0 Analyzing language community data

In an attempt to make an exhaustive collection of lax [u] words generally known in English and words having similar environmental characteristics, a corpus of nearly 2000 words from the two word classes under study was assembled according to the principles discussed above, and each word was assigned a composite transcription. The analysis of this data is presented in the following sections.

2.1 Environmental decomposition of word classes. According to the speech community model followed here (Labov 1972), sound change occurs in a word class by the gradual appearance of a variant pronunciation in one environment and by its extension over time to other environments until the process either is arrested or goes to completion by affecting the entire word class. In this way, a word class having a single invariant pronunciation is decomposed. If the process stops at some point or is examined midcourse, some members of the word class will be found to have one pronunciation and other members, another pronunciation. But if the decomposition process goes its full course or is examined at its end, the entire word class will have been reconstituted with a different pronunciation.

The variable rule describes the change in two ways: (1) by identifying for a particular time, place, and group the environments of a word class in which a variant has appeared and (2) by identifying the degree to which change has affected the words in each environment. Successive samplings of the same group over time will allow the investigator to chronicle the progress of change through the environments of the word class. Two graphic illustrations of decomposition in progress can be found in Labov 1971a:427 and 1972:120.

If the decomposition model is relevant to lax [u] at the language community level, the words now categorically or variably pronounced [u] should fall into discrete environments within their respective word classes. Furthermore, the extent to which change has progressed in such environments should be determinable. In the following sections, we will look at two variable rules which differ radically in their productivity. On the one hand, the variable laxing rule describes a presently ongoing change in

English. Its input is Mod.E  $/\overline{u}/$ . On the other hand, the variable centralization rule describes a fossil in present-day English. Its input was ME /u/. Although both rules provide an account for some recalcitrant data in Modern English, certain crucial questions are raised: Are both rules rules of Modern English? How does an inactive variable rule differ from an active one? For answers, we begin with the variable laxing rule.

2.2. Environments of [u] in the Mod.E  $/\overline{u}/$  word class. For Chomsky and Halle (1968), Mod.E  $/\overline{u}/$  is underlyingly  $/\overline{o}/$ . However, they provide little discussion of how, derivationally, certain members of the  $/\overline{o}/$  word class become [u]. It is not surprising that their few suggestions support Pyles' historical outline cited above, namely,  $/\overline{o}/ \rightarrow [\overline{u}] \rightarrow [u]$ . They adopt this route in the derivation of took  $/\overline{tok}/$ , when they say (203, note 33) '...the representation [tuwk] becomes [tuk] by a fairly general rule that applies to [uw] in various contexts, in particular \_k, before rule (62).' They repeat their suggestion on pages 209-210 for the word foot '.../fot/, which becomes [fuwt] by Diphthongization and Vowel Shift, then [fut] in the manner described in note 33...'<sup>8</sup>

Chomsky and Halle, however, do not go beyond their footnote to elaborate on the various contexts of this rule other than to suggest the environment / k/. This is a good beginning, as can be seen most clearly by looking at the set of words in contemporary English which came from ME /o/. In (2)a is the set of words referred to by Chomsky and Halle; it exhibits no variability. In (2)b is a second set, terminating in /t/ and /d/, but displaying some variability as seen in (3)a. The words of (3)b end in labials and are variable. A few of the ME /o/ words ending in labials but pronounced invariantly as [uw] are listed in (4).

- (2) [u] a. book, brook, cook, forsook, hook, look, nook, rook, shook, took
  - b. .foot, good, 'hood, stood
- (3) [u ~ uw] a. root, soot
  - b. broom, coop, groom, hoof, hoop, roof
- (4) [uw] a. behoove, groove, scoop

During the ME period and since then, other words have been added to this word class. These come from many sources: Arabic (e.g. hookah), Dutch (e.g. sloop), French (e.g. booty), German (e.g. noodle), Hindi (e.g. loot), Kongo (e.g. goober), Yiddish (e.g. schnook), and elsewhere. The striking fact about these new words is that they are conforming to and extending the basic sound change pattern begun in Middle English. Specifically, words falling into environments which have not yet begun to move in the direction of [u] have become categorically [uw]. However, words exhibiting the variable environments where change has begun are advancing toward [u] along with the older items. The continuing integration of foreign elements into the change pattern of this word class is evidence of the vitality of the laxing rule. Furthermore, it is possible to see how far change in the contemporary word class has progressed. Only a small number of environments are necessary to capture nearly the entire set of words. These environments are presented in the following discussion.

As mentioned above, one of the most commonly noted environments of lax [u] is /\_k/, a [-ant, -cor] segment. But [u] may also occur before /p, b, f, v, m/, which are [+ant, -cor] segments. The words in (5) show that [u] may precede the full set of [-cor] segments permissible in English.

- (5) [u] brook<sub>1</sub>, brook<sub>2</sub>, cook, cookie, hook, hooker, kookaburra, oomph, rook<sub>1</sub>, rook<sub>2</sub>, rook<sub>3</sub>, shook<sub>1</sub>, shook<sub>2</sub>

  - [uw] behoove, croup, droop, goof, googly, googol, goop,
    group, groove, kook, proof, recoup, scoop, scroop,
    troop

As for the prevocalic segments, there are several possibilities apparent in (5). One of these is the absence of a segment before the vowel, as in <a href="mailto:comph">comph</a> and <a href="mail

As the list in (6) reveals, a third kind of prevocalic segment may pair with a postvocalic [-cor] segment. Besides [-seg] and [-ant],

prevocalic segments may also be [+ant]. There is, however, a constraint. The [+ant] segments may not co-occur with the full class of postvocalic [-cor] segments, but only with the velar portion, i.e. [-ant, -cor].

- (6) [u] book, forsook, look, nook, schnook, took [u ~ uw] boogie (-woogie), boogie (-man), snook<sub>1</sub>, snook<sub>2</sub>, snooker, stook
  - [uw] bazooka, spook

The two environments discussed to this point can be readily collapsed. Since, prevocalically, [+ant]—a subset of [+cns]—is paired with post-vocalic [-ant]—a subset of [-cor], angle brackets can capture this coordination, as shown in (7). (Note that the use of angle brackets here follows the general conventions of generative phonology and not those found in Labov's rules, where angle brackets indicate variable constraints on rule operation.)

(7)

$$/\bar{u}/ + [u]_{\phi}$$
 /  $\left\{\begin{bmatrix} +\cos \\ \langle +ant \rangle \end{bmatrix}\right\}$  \_\_\_\_\_  $\left[-\cos \\ \langle -ant \rangle \right]$  (11)

Rule (7) is a variable rule as indicated by  $\phi$  in the rule output. Were it a categorical rule, the words in (5) and (6) listed as  $[\bar{u}w]$  and also those listed as  $[u \sim \bar{u}w]$  would be called exceptional. For a variable rule, however, these words are not exceptional. In two respects, they must instead be called regular.

In the first place, when a sound change is in progress, we expect to see evidence of an incomplete transition. The evidence, in this case, is found in the set of  $[u \sim uw]$  words and in the set of [uw] words. Variable words (like those under  $[u \sim uw]$ ) are not unusual in sound change. In fact, without them, sound change cannot take place. In Labov's words (1966:318), 'variability itself is change.'

In the second place, when a sound change is in progress, we expect the word class members to conform to a pattern of change which can be interpreted as progressive development. Such a pattern is highlighted in (8),

where the lists of (5) and (6) are converted into percentages to show the degree of rule operation for different environments. If we look only at the numbers of words in the [u] and [u ~ uw] categories, the relative proportion of [uw] words to be expected in the two environments is predictable. For example, in the [-ant, -cor] environment, the number of [uw] words should be equal to or less than the number of variable words. The actual numbers of [uw] words match this prediction. Because the words fit a pattern of change interpretable in terms of gradual decomposition, these words are not exceptions to the variable rule in (7).

(8) 
$$\begin{bmatrix} -ant \\ -cor \end{bmatrix} \qquad \begin{bmatrix} +ant \\ -cor \end{bmatrix}$$
(5) (6) (5)+(6) (5)
$$[u] \qquad 60\% \ (N=12) \qquad 43\% \ (N=6) \qquad 53\% \ (N=18) \qquad 4\% \ (N=1)$$

$$[u \sim \overline{u}w] \qquad 25\% \ (N=5) \qquad 43\% \ (N=6) \qquad 32\% \ (N=11) \qquad 46\% \ (N=11)$$

$$[\overline{u}w] \qquad 15\% \ (N=3) \qquad 14\% \ (N=2) \qquad 15\% \ (N=5) \qquad 50\% \ (N=12)$$

Information such as is contained in (8) belongs properly to the variable rule in order to describe the status of change at this time in language history for this variety of English. By including in the rule proportions of rule operation, we capture the variable character of the variable rule. And by linking these proportions to a general stratum in the language community, namely, the educated, we capture the sociolinguistic character of the rule.

The first environment of [u] in which [u] appears (Rule (7) above) consists of postvocalic [-cor] segments only. The second environment concerns the words in (9) which display only [+cor] segments postvocalically, specifically, either /t/ or /d/. Interestingly, when the dental is voiced, we find [-ant, -str] segments prevocalically. But when the dental is voiceless, the prevocalic segment is [+ant, +str]. Following conventional generative notations, paired alphas can be used in rule (10) to record this fact.

(10)

$$/\overline{u}/ \rightarrow \{u\}_{\varphi}$$
 /  $\begin{bmatrix} -voc \\ \alpha \text{ ant } \\ \alpha \text{ str} \end{bmatrix}$  \_\_\_\_  $\begin{bmatrix} +ant \\ +cor \\ -cont \\ -nas \\ -\alpha \text{ vce} \end{bmatrix}$ 

There are five other words ending in dentals which are pronounced categorically or variably with [u] but which do not fit the environment characterized in (10): root, should, stood, toots, and tootsie (baby talk for foot). They all have prevocalic [+cor] segments and may reflect an early, but short-lived expansion of the change effect beyond the context in (10). Except for the variable word, root, there is no evidence of continued movement from [uw] to [u] in this expanded environment. The words tootsie and toots must be excluded as evidence, since they may have an explanation outside of the decomposition process. Both seem to conform to the phonological characteristics of baby talk and lover's talk discussed by Ferguson (1964:105).

When we exclude words to be discussed below, there remains only one word belonging to the /u/ word class which is not accounted for by either of the above contexts: <u>bosom</u> (OE <u>bosm</u>). This is not surprising, because it was the postvocalic cluster and not the character of the pre- and postvocalic consonants which caused the tense vowel to lax to [u].

To this point, the variability model, using dictionary-derived language-community data on pronunciation and word origin, has permitted a clear view of change in the  $/\overline{u}/$  word class and the manner in which this change governs the integration of lexical borrowings into English. Quite a different picture will emerge in the following study of the ME /u/ word class.

2.3. Environments of [u] in the ME /u/ word class. The centralization of /u/ to [A] during Late Middle English and Early Modern English

affected 99 percent of the word class. Evidence that this change occurred by environmental decomposition is indirect: the existence of a set of [u] and [u ~ \lambda] words from the ME /u/ word class fitting certain rather clearly circumscribed contexts. Had the change been random, it is improbable that such a well-defined set of words would have remained.

The claim of the decomposition model is that change is not random but environmentally governed. At any one time in language history, variable rules can capture the progress of change passing through the governing environments. Thus, the rules describe the transition between a relatively homogeneous word class before change begins and a relatively homogeneous word class after change is complete. The transition is gradual, as natural classes of sounds are broken down and reconstituted. Consequently, variable rules are often complex, reflecting the complex process of decomposition and recomposition.

So it is with change in the ME /u/ word class. At this point in English language history we find only a few major environments which never followed the dominant centralizing movement. Within these environments, a few subenvironments peeled off in the direction of  $[\Lambda]$ , leaving incomplete classes of sounds in the pre- and postvocalic environments as seen in (12). The + indicates the environments in which [u] may appear. (12)

			die co			
	ll	2#.	lc	: _d	_t _s	č š ·
	p_ '+	11	+	· p_ +	+ 4	+ +
Pre-	b_ +	+	+ 1	b_	t .*;	+ 17 7+ 1
vocalic	f_ ·	: 4	+ + 1	k_		14 .
	v_			g		. ' '

In Chomsky and Halle's account of Modern English phonology, /u/ is given as the segment underlying [ $\land$ ] and [u]. In the derivational rules they provide (1968:203, 204), the /u/ word class is centralized by the Vowel Shift Rule (/u/  $\rightarrow$  [o]) in conjunction with the Rounding Adjustment Rule ([o]  $\rightarrow$  [ $\land$ ]). The [u] residue of the word class, however, follows a different route. It moves by a readjustment rule to [ $\dagger$ ] and thus avoids

the above shift and adjustment rules. In order to extract the [u] words from the /u/ class before they become [ $\Lambda$ ], Chomsky and Halle (239 (8)) propose the environments given in (13). By comparing these environments with those in (12), it is evident that their rule in prevocalic position omits the environment /k / and adds the environment /v /. Post-vocalically, the rule omits the environments / \_d, \_t, \_s, \_  $\ell$ C/ and adds the environments / \_č, \_j, \_ž/.

(13)

$$/u/ + [\dagger] / \begin{bmatrix} -nas \\ +ant \\ -cor \end{bmatrix} \qquad \begin{bmatrix} \ell \\ \ell \\ \ell \end{bmatrix}$$
 (i) 
$$\begin{bmatrix} -ant \\ +cor \\ -voc \end{bmatrix}$$
 (ii)

The environments of (13) are not part of a variable rule and, for this reason, Chomsky and Halle try to accommodate only the least variable items in the word class. The only words which are exceptional according to this rule are pullulate and pudgy, budge, budget, fudge, listed by all dictionaries as [A]. These are minor problems. The major problems with the rule are the following: (1) The omissions noted above leave the rule quite inadequate to describe the phenomenon of [u] in ME /u/ words. And (2) the natural classes [+ant, -cor, -nas] and [-ant, +cor] extend the rule beyond the phenomenon of [u] in /u/ words. Needed is an expansion and refinement of the environments of (13) to reflect more accurately the dimensions of the past sound change. This involves incorporating into the environments the relatively large number of variable words which still exist in this word class.

Beginning with subpart (13)i, we notice that words with postvocalic laterals fall into three groups, not two, as shown in (14). In the second group, an underlying geminate lateral is assumed in order to distinguish this environment from the one controlling the Y-Insertion Rule, namely,  $/uC_0^1 ({r \brace w})$ -cns]/, e.g. <u>fuliginous</u>.

(14)	/ul#/ ·· ·	· · '/ull/	···/ulc/
[u]	bull <sub>1</sub> (OE), bull <sub>2</sub> (MLat.), bull <sub>3</sub>		bulbul (Per.), fulham (ME),
	(?), bulrush (ME),	bullion (AngloFr.),	fulmar (Scan.)
	full <sub>1</sub> (OE), full <sub>2</sub>	bully (Dut.),	
	(MFr.), pull (OE)	pullet (MFr.),	**
·		Dulley (MFT.)	
[u ~ n]	bulwark (MDut.),		bulge (MFr.), bulk
	fulsome (OE)	bullate (NLat.)	(ONorse); fulcrum
		the office and the Alexander	(LLat.), fulgent
: **	1		(Lat.), fulminate
		in the second of	(MLat.), fulvous
	•	to the second of the second	(Lat.), pulmonary
	29	*1	(Lat.), pulpit
			· (Lat.) ·
		11 1	
[^]		pullulate (Lat.)	bulb (Lat.),
			pulchritude (Lat.),
114:3			pulp (MFr.)
		i e	

When the words in (14) are converted into percentages as in (15), a pattern is clearly apparent. For now, let us assume that the pattern represents the remains of a decomposition change in Modern English. We see then that the environment with the greatest resistance to centralization is /u2#/; the one with the least resistance is /u2C/. The geminate /2 environment is intermediate between these two.

(15)	/ul#/			/ull/				/ulc/		
	[u]		(N=7)			(N=6)			21%	(11=3)
	[u ~ ^]	22%	(N=2)		22%	(N=2)				(N=8)
	[^]	0%	(N=0)		11%	(N=1)	٠		21%	(N=3)

The degree to which centralization occurs in the /ulc/ environment appears to depend on the nature of C, which must now be specified more fully. If it is assumed that <u>fulgent</u> (cf. <u>fulgurant</u>) has an underlying

/g/, marked [+deriv] so as to be subject to the Velar Softening Rule, then all of the consonants after  $/\ell$  are [-cor, -str] (/p, b, m, k, g, h/), except in the words <u>bulge</u> and <u>fulvous</u>. 11 Reciprocally, in all words except <u>bulge</u> and <u>fulvous</u>, the /u/ before the sequence  $/\ell$  [+cns, +str]/ has centralized, e.g. <u>pulverize</u>, <u>propulsion</u>, <u>pulse</u>.

In prevocalic position, the natural class [+ant, -cor, -nas] (/p, b, f, v/), cited in Chomsky and Halle's rule (13) above is no longer intact. All words with a prevocalic /v/ and a postvocalic lateral environment have categorically centralized to [\lambda], e.g. vulcan, vulgar, vulnerable, vulpine, vulture, vulva. To represent this broken set such that only the plosives (/p,b/) and the voiceless strident (/f/) are included complicates the rule. However, given the nature of the decomposition process, assymmetry such as this is unavoidable. The variable rule corresponding to subenvironment (13)i above is given in (16). The discussion of this rule is deferred until the second subenvironment of (13) has been developed.

(16)

The [u] variant also appears in another environment of the ME /u/ word class. This environment is an elaboration of (13)ii and concerns the words of (17).

(17)

- [u] bush<sub>1</sub> (ME), bush<sub>2</sub> (Dut.), bushel<sub>1</sub> (OFr), bushel<sub>2</sub>, (Ger.),
  butcher (OFr.), cushion (MFr.), cushy (Hindi), pudding
  (ME), push (OFr.), puss<sub>1</sub> (?), puss<sub>2</sub> (Ir.Gael.), put (OE)
- $[u \sim \Lambda]$  cud (OE), putlog (?), rudd (OE)
- [\lambda] cutch (Malay), pus (Lat.), putt (Mod.E \( \) put), putter (E dial.), scutch (Fr.), scutcheon (MFr.), sputter (Dut.)

In this set of words, we find the segments /t, d, s,  $\check{s}$ ,  $\check{c}/$  postvocalically. When /d/ is excluded, as discussed below, the other segments can be economically stated as [+cor, -nas, -vce]. In prevocalic position, we again encounter an inelegant environment. Of the [-cor, -nas, -cont] set, only /p, b, k/ occur. Of these, /p/, [+ant, -vce], has the greatest freedom to co-occur with the set of postvocalic segments. The other prevocalic members in the set, /b, k/, are found only with the [-ant] segments  $(/\check{s}, \check{c}/)$ . In this case, since both /b, k/ and  $/\check{s}, \check{c}/$  are subsets of the more general pre- and postvocalic environments, conventional angle brackets can represent the correct pairing, as in (18).

(18)

$$\text{ME } / \text{u} / \rightarrow \left[ \Lambda \right]_{\varphi} \quad / \quad \left[ \begin{cases} -\text{cor} \\ -\text{nas} \\ -\text{cont} \\ \left[ +\text{ant} \\ -\text{vce} \right] \right] \\ \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \text{ant} \\ \alpha & \text{vce} \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

Three instances of [u] preceding /d/ are not described by this environment: pudding, cud, rudd. Since only these remain out of a large number of categorically centralized words with similar environments, these three are taken to be the lexical residue of an already completed change. There are four relatively recent foreign borrowings which appear to be accounted for by Rule (18): kaput, putsch, puttee, sputnik. Although these words display either [u] or [u ~ \lambda], they are not part of the decomposition process. The process had already come to a halt before these words entered the language. Furthermore, their pronunciations can be attributed to the fact that the \( \text{put} \) spelling which these words share suggests both the [u] and the [\lambda] pronunciation. \( \frac{13}{2} \)

When the words just mentioned are excluded from the meager list in (17), only one variable word remains: <u>putlog</u>. Thus, Rule (18) is not an active variable rule. Were this rule still active, the productive

 $/\bar{u}/ \rightarrow \{u\}$  rule would still feed the centralizing rule as it once did, cf.  $\underline{blood}$ ,  $\underline{flood}$  ( $(\bar{o}) > \bar{u} > u > \Lambda$ ). This no longer happens. Furthermore, when the majority of words are either categorically [u] or categorically  $[\Lambda]$ , there is no way to interpret the picture in terms of an orderly progression of  $/u/to [\Lambda]$ . Clearly, the [u] words are fossils of a sound change which was arrested just before completion. In Modern English, the [u] words must be underlyingly /u/t, while all categorically centralized ME /u/t words must now be represented as /t/t. In contemporary English, then, there are now two word classes where once there was only one. With this interpretation, there is no need for environment (18) in a synchronic grammar of Modern English, although diachronically, the aborted sound change accounts for the hole in the /t/t environments which is shaped exactly like (18).

Now we return to rule (16). Given the displays of (14) and (15), rule (16) looks like an active variable rule. Its input in Modern English would be Mod.E /u/, namely, all words having initial /bul-, ful-, pul-/. There is, however, considerable room to question this interpretation. First, there appears to be a reason for the particular words in the [u] category to be in that category. On the one hand, the original ME /u/ word class affected by the centralization process seems to have consisted mainly of Middle English words from Old English or French origins. The reason for suspecting this is that these are the kinds of words which categorically remained as [u] when the process was arrested, as seen by looking at the [u] category of (14) and (17). Words from other sources in this group are homophonous with Old English or French words, e.g. bull, and bull, bush, and bush, on the other hand, in the variable and categorical [A] sets of (14), the words are predominantly of Latin origin. This suggests that these Latin words were not associated with ME /u/ when the change was in process.

Second, there appear to be reasons for the variable, instead of categorical, pronunciation of the Latin words in (14). One reason is phonological. If the Latin words were not part of the NE /u/ word class, there would be no strong tendency to pronounce them in native fashion, with [u]. However, all of the variable words appear to begin with the first three segments found in the categorical [u] words, <u>bull</u>1, <u>full</u>1,

and pull, which were members of the ME /u/ class from OE /u/. Thus, there is the ambiguity of whether or not the Latin words belong to the same class as bull, , full, , and pull, especially since the words are not all common ones. The ambiguity in phonological categorization is in part ... responsible for the variable pronunciation. 14 A second reason for the variability among the Latin words no doubt lies in orthography. 15 At the level of a general spelling pattern, they all conform to the (uC2) pattern for [A]. But at the level of specific graphs, their spellings bear a striking similarity to the words bull, , full, , and pull which are known to be pronounced with [u]. The result of an ambiguous spelling pattern is variable pronunciation. Furthermore, where the Latin word is closest orthographically to the three key words, as in bull, the pronunciation is categorically [u]. But where the Latin word is farthest from the key words in this respect, there is the greatest variation as seen in the /ulc/ category. Undoubtedly, both the phonological and orthographic ambiguities conspire to create variability.

Thus, rule (16) identifies both an environment where centralization failed to be completed and the variable effects of a spelling pronunciation. The  $/\ell$ [-cor, -str]/ configuration appears to be an accident of the words borrowed rather than a decomposition environment or a context relevant to a spelling pronunciation. Consequently, rule (16), like rule (18), does not belong to a grammar of Modern English.

To summarize, the variable-rule approach to language community data turned up two ossified decomposition environments left in English when the Middle English centralization process was aborted near its end. Highlighted in the foregoing discussion is the fact that there are sources of variability other than sound change. Because these sources can create the appearance of a productive variable rule, they must be carefully identified so that dead rules will not be accepted as alive.

2.4. Environments of [u] in a diaclass change. Besides word class decomposition, there is another source of [u] in English, a diaclass change. The words involved are listed in (19). Many of these words can be accommodated in the above environments of /u/. Others, however, cannot readily be accounted for, which suggests that something other than word class decomposition has affected these words. It appears that /(h)w/, as

elsewhere in the vowel system, has exerted strong assimilatory pressures on the vowel which follows it. To the extent allowed by the limited amount of data, the effect of these pressures on vowels from several word classes is discussed here.

(19)

- [u] woof, wood, would, wool, wolf, woman
- [u ~ uw] whoop, whoops, woof<sub>2</sub>, (boogie-)woogie, woozy, swoosh,
  whoosh
- [u ~ A] squush
- [uw] swoop, swoon, womb, wound
- [A] won, wonder, swum, swung

When we look at the  $/\overline{u}/$  words in (19) (the first three items with [u], the first five variable items, and all the words with  $[\overline{u}w]$ ), we find that /w/ co-occurs with a wide range of postvocalic segments. However, judging from the words under  $[\overline{u}w]$ , there appears to be a constraint on laxing when the postvocalic segment is a nasal.

Turning to the ME /u/ words, we find only two items with [u], wool (OE wull) and wolf (OE wulf). In the case of postvocalic nasals, the constraint is the reverse of that seen above. Words with /u/ preceding nasals have been categorically centralized to [ $\wedge$ ], as noted in (19). (The /u/ of won and wonder was first spelled (u) but later changed to (o) by scribes for orthographic reasons (Hanna, Hodges, and Hanna 1971:44).) In the case of wool and wolf, /w/ has had the effect of preventing centralization.

There is some evidence that the assimilatory effects of /(h)w/ are broader still. An examination of an extensive list of /i/ words having /(h)w/ prevocalically turns up only four words which end in /š/: squish, swish, whish, and wish. Of these, the first three have developed [u] variants which have entered into standard English: squush, swoosh, whoosh. They have the same meanings as their historically earlier /i/ counterparts. As for wish, the [u] variant [wuš] is known in nonstandard English. Thus, in the environment /(h)w \_ š/, lax /i/ is unstable. Since the tense high front vowel does (or may) not occur in this environment, the effect on such a vowel is impossible to determine.

It will be noted that <u>squush</u> is variable in a direction different from <u>swoosh</u> and <u>whoosh</u>. However, <u>squush</u> is the only word of the three to be related to a low-vowel word with the same general meaning, <u>squash</u>, given by some dictionaries as the source of <u>squush</u>. This relationship may be sufficient to influence the direction of variability.

There is additional evidence that high front vowels are influenced by the back rounded glide. The word woman developed out of OE wifman. When the  $/\overline{1}/$  was laxed preceding the consonant sequence  $/\mathrm{fm}/$ , [wif-] resulted. Apparently, under the kind of pressure described above, [i] shifted to its back counterpart, [u], perhaps before  $/\mathrm{f}/$  was lost. Monstandard English provides further support for believing that, in addition to  $/\mathrm{s}/$ , postvocalic labials tend to promote vowel retraction. A nonstandard English rendering of whip is [hwup]. Future investigation of these varieties of English may shed some light on the social variation of this diaclass rule.

Before leaving the word <u>woman</u>, it should be observed that only the singular form of the word shows a retracted vowel. Number was originally marked by the inflection of <u>man</u>. However, the loss of stress on the final syllable and subsequent vowel reduction obscured the signal. In its place, the contrast between the retracted and unretracted stressed vowel began to be used. A priori, a similar case could be made for the functional contrast found in the  $[\land]$  verbs of (19): <u>won</u> (<u>win</u>), <u>swum</u> (<u>swim</u>), <u>swung</u> (<u>swing</u>). However, such a case would leave unexplained pairs like <u>fling-flung</u>, <u>sing-sung</u>.

In short, /w/, a lax high back rounded glide, has produced different effects on vowels having the feature [+high]. In the case of /u/ words, the vowel assimilated to the [-tns] feature of /w/. In the case of ME /u/ words, the vowel was reinforced by the [+high, +round] feature of /w/ to resist the centralizing move to unrounded [^]. In the case of /i/ words, the vowel assimilated to the [+back, +round] features of /w/ to become [u]. These, then, are three different facets of a single old but continuing diaclass change, a change which appears to be entirely independent of word class decomposition. Given additional evidence from nonstandard varieties of English, it may be possible to arrive at a unified characterization of the process.

### 3.0 Conclusion

This study is intended to illustrate the viability of extending the decomposition model of sound change to the analysis of language community data gleaned from lexicographical sources. The analysis, of course, can be no better than the data. The data, in this case, is rich. Not only does the dictionary afford easy access to the entire target word class, but it also provides information about each word class member, which is important for the variability study. Of the various kinds of lexicographical information available to the researcher, this study has highlighted (1) the role of derivational relatedness, locale of use, and social level (standard vs. nonstandard) for delimiting the corpus of data; (2) the use of pronunciation cues for constructing a composite transcription; (3) the function of etymological information for establishing word class membership; (4) the role of time and place of word origin for the treatment of accretions to the lexicon.

It is also the case that an analysis can be no better than the analytical tools used. Because the data represents a changing standard language found across many speech communities, the composite transcription is inevitably filled with massive variation. The sociolinguistic model of environmental decomposition has been successful in coping with ongoing change by bringing to light the patterning within variability. For this reason, language community data and the variation model make a superb team.

In the case of lax [u], it has been possible to see word class change both at its beginning in the active  $/\overline{u}/$  laxing rule and at its end in the now inactive centralization rule. From data which is as exhaustive as it has been possible to make it, the relevant environments have been isolated, and a genuine pattern of change has been separated from a spurious pattern. Finally, a diaclass change has been isolated from word class decomposition. The various insights which have emerged from this study of lax [u] stand as testimony to the usefulness of lexicographical data gathered in the way reported here and analyzed using the decomposition model.  $^{16}$ 

## Footnotes

In this paper, slashes, / /, will identify the word class as well as the underlying phonological segment; square brackets, [], will enclose a pronunciation (variant) of the word class as well as the output of derivational rules.

. In addition to these six dictionaries, Kenyon and Knott (1953) was also consulted. It was not included because it is not recent, it is not comprehensive, and it contributes nothing to the composite transcriptions described below.

Ferguson (1968:32) notes in his list of features which generally characterize standard languages that the social correlate of a standard language is 'the educated middle class'. This same observation is made by dictionary editors regarding the unmarked usage they report, for example Gove (1972). Presumably Cassidy's dictionary (ms.) will provide evidence for a similar study of patterns in uneducated usage by tapping the data reported under categories I and II in the Linguistic Atlas (Kurath 1939:44).

The ME /o/ class does not arise from a homogeneous source in Old English. While most words come from OE /o/, some are instances of DE /u/ which was tensed and lowered, merging with ME /o/, e.g. wood from OE widu.

Variable words in this class do not arise from an active variable rule, as discussed below. Although the old centralizing rule is no longer active, native speakers do have a residual awareness of the rule as shown by a psycholinguistic investigation of productive and nonproductive rules (Dickerson ms.).

For the comparisons made in this study, percentages are considered entirely adequate, as opposed to the probability approach to analysis introduced by Cedergren and Sankoff (1974) and incorporated by Labov.

Proportions calculated in these two different ways may each yield grossly unreliable statistics given certain circumstances. The language community figure will be skewed if only a few word class members representing a particular environment exist. The speech community figure will be skewed if a very low frequency of items representing the environment chance to occur in the data, or if the figure is based on a high frequency of only a few (perhaps idiosyncratic) words. An extreme example of distortion is found in a study of consonant cluster simplification in which the set of instances of one environment consists of the repeated use of one idiosyncratic word (Shuy and Fasold 1972:7-8).

No doubt inadvertently, however, Chomsky and Halle open up another route from  $/\bar{o}/$  to [u]. Their fairly general rule which applies before rule (62) is ordered before Diphthongization and Vowel Shift, because in their summary of rules (pp. 238-245), rule (62) appears before Diphthongization and Vowel Shift. By following the rule ordering in the summary of rules,  $/f\bar{o}t/$  and  $/t\bar{o}k/$  should become [fut] and [tuk] and never undergo Diphthongization and Vowel Shift. This route is simply  $/\bar{o}/$  + [u].

Although from ME <u>cuccu</u>, <u>cuckoo</u> behaves as if it were part of the /u/ word class. The structure of the word is a syllable reduplication of the form CV CV. The first syllable has been made to rhyme with the second, instead of vice versa, because [u] may not appear word finally, while [uw] may occur before /k/. Supporting the tense /u/ classification of this word are these facts: (1) Every dictionary cites the [uw ~ u] alternation; there is no record of an [u ~  $\wedge$ ] alternation in contemporary English. (2) The derivative of <u>cuckoo</u>, <u>kook</u>, is categorically [uw]. (3) The word fits the general environment for /u/ (Rule (7)); it is not even remotely similar to the /u/ environments discussed below.

The words  $\underline{\text{flood}}$  and  $\underline{\text{blood}}$  likewise fit this expanded environment. It appears that they were  $\underline{\text{laxed}}$  to [u], then centralized by the ME /u/  $\rightarrow$  [A] rule discussed below.

The word bugger [u ~  $\Lambda$ ] also fits the pattern with  $/\ell$ [-cor, -str]/. The word originated from Bulgar and subsequently lost the postvocalic  $/\ell$ /.

 $^{12}$  If this set of words were subject to Chomsky and Halle's rules, those words which consist of  $/uC_0^1(\left\{ \begin{smallmatrix} r \\ w \end{smallmatrix} \right\})[-cns]/$  would have to be entered in the lexicon with geminate /š/ or /č/ segments to prevent their becoming [yūw].

These words were never part of ME /u/, and, as Hans Hock has pointed out, puttee does not even have a high vowel in the donor language (cf. Hindi patt. In addition to these four words, there are many other borrowings which have entered standard English with variable pronunciations, such as chutzpah (Yid.), crux (Lat.), cushaw (Algon.), gulden (Dut.), hussar (Hung.), jubbah (Arab.), kudzu (Jap.), lungi (Urdu), mullah (Pers.), pulque (Mex.Sp.), rumba (Sp.), sukkah (Heb.), tundra (Rus.), umlaut (Ger.). In these cases, the variability involving [u] may be the result of spelling pronunciations. However, (u) is not pronounced [u] in any of these environments among native English words. For this reason, the regular appearance of [u] in these borrowings and in hundreds of others suggests a tendency of native English speakers to use [u] to mark foreign words as foreign when they are spelled (uC#) or (uC<sub>2</sub>) at least until the words lose their foreign semantic associations. These matters require further investigation.

To the extent that the Latin words are seen as foreign words, native speakers may also use [u] to mark that foreignness, as suggested in note 13.

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## PROBLEMS OF THE DUAL IN SOCOTRI

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Soqotri is a language of the Southern group of the Semitic family, spoken on the island of Soqotra in the Indian Ocean. Other modern representatives of this group include the modern Ethiopian languages, and the closest relatives of Soqotri, Mehri and Shauri. Our knowledge of the Soqotri language is chiefly a product of a linguistic expedition to the island at the turn of the century. The data from the texts published by this expedition were collated and edited by Wolf Leslau (1938). It is on Leslau's dictionary that this paper is based.

In this paper I will attempt a comparative and internal reconstruction of a group of Soqotri nouns which are attested in both their singular and dual forms. In order to carry out this reconstruction one must first be aware of several facts about this language. In Soqotri, accent is normally on the penultimate syllable, though there are some, apparently random, cases where the accent is earlier. In addition, Soqotri, as a Semitic language, is presumably descended from a parent language in which nouns were followed by a case ending with a short vowel, and in some forms by an  $\underline{n}$  or  $\underline{m}$  as well. In classical Arabic the case endings take the forms  $-\underline{un}$ ,  $-\underline{an}$ , and  $-\underline{in}$  for the indefinite nouns in the singular, and  $-\underline{u}$ ,  $-\underline{a}$ , and  $-\underline{i}$  for definite singular nouns. In Soqotri the case endings for singular and broken plural nouns have completely disappeared. Thus

morqah	meraqih	stick	(sing.	and	plural)
rey	ir'es	head	(sing.	and	plural)

That the dual suffix in Soqotri is -i can be seen from a number of nouns which have no other alternation between their singular and dual forms. For example

gadl -i	braid
berk -i	knee
?arhiyeb -i	kind of tree

In Classical Arabic, nouns appearing before major breaks take on the pausal form, which involves the drop of case endings for the singular and a change of the feminine marker from -at to -ah. For example, we have the following Classical Arabic words, in their full and pausal forms:

tawilatun	ţawīlah	table
mudarrisun	mudarris	teacher
luyatun	luyah	language

This pausal form has become widely generalized in Modern Standard Arabic. In spoken dialects this trend is carried further, and the final  $\underline{h}$  of the pausal forms is dropped altogether.

In Soqotri nouns there is a similar phenomenon. As we have noted, the singular case endings have been dropped, evidently as a result of universal generalization of the pausal forms. However, Soqotri has several separate forms of the feminine ending:

-oh:	bioh	mother
-eh:	hegiyeh	wall
-ah:	mqeydah	big pot

The Classical Arabic pattern, with only one form of the feminine marker (-at) seems to be a reflection of the proto-Semitic situation. The origin, then, of the variety of forms in Soqotri is unclear.

The original  $\underline{t}$  of the feminine is preserved in the dual, where it is followed by  $-\underline{i}$ . In some cases, we find an alternation between an  $\underline{i}$  in the dual form and an  $\underline{e}$  in the singular. For example, we have

?eyreh	?eyriti	1 ake
šebeh	šebiti	rabbit

There seems to be no conditioning factor to explain the fact that some nouns ending in -eh change their e to i before the dual, while others, like ?arhiyeb, do not. It seems most reasonable to explain the alternation as the result of phonetic split, due to a lowering of i to e before h, a change attested in Gothic and Old Norse, for example; cf. Wright 1954:27 and Gordon 1927:255. We can then reconstruct an original pattern with four variants of the feminine ending: -it, -et, -at, -ot, which, as the result of the lowering of i to e, is simplified to -eh, -ah, -oh in the singular.

There is, however, evidence to show that there has been a reinterpretation of this rule as one of raising—a regressive assimilation of the  $\underline{e}$  to the following  $\underline{i}$ .

The first piece of evidence which suggests that this may be the case is the relative size of the group showing this alternation compared to that with unchanged  $\underline{e}$ . We have 13 words attested with the alternation,

and only six without it. This seems a likely result of the reanalysis of the alternation as a raising process, and of an incomplete spread of the resulting new rule to other words with the termination -eh. (This is, admittedly, a very weak argument, because of the small size of the corpus available and the element of chance involved.)

More substantial support for the theory that a variable raising rule is spreading across the language is provided by another group of nouns which show an alternation involving the insertion or deletion of a sequence <u>eh</u>.

	Singular	<u>Dual</u>	
(1)	kibehen	kibeni	jug
(2)	qarmehem	qarmemi	finger
(3)	miżeher	mižiri	court
(4)	'idbeher	'idbiri	bee
(5)	šibreher	šibriri	visible spot
(6)	šedehed	šididi	egg-white
(7)	fidehon	fidoni	mountain
(8)	tebehor	tebori	wall
(9)	firehim	firimi	girl
(10)	rebehon	rebeni	master
(11)	qehelihen	qahelini	egg

Table I: Singular and dual forms with VhV .: V

These data suggest that originally there may have been a rule of the form:

(i) 
$$\forall \rightarrow \text{ehV/VC}_1^2 -- \text{C#} \cdot \cdot$$

That is, when the originally penultimate and thus stressed vowel became final and thus lost its accent through deletion of case endings, it expanded compensatorially through addition of the group  $\underline{\text{eh.}}^2$  This change did not occur in the dual, since the dual ending kept the vowel in the accented penult.

This explanation, however, is not entirely adequate, since words like <u>mižeher</u> show <u>i</u> in the dual, in place of the <u>e</u> suggested by the singular in -<u>eher</u>. We might claim that in the original change, <u>i</u> and <u>e</u> converged in <u>ehe</u>, but this formulation is not independently motivated, and thus really does not explain anything. More importantly, our hypothesis of a variable rule raising <u>e</u> before the dual suffix -<u>i</u> can cover this alternation as well as that to which we have already applied it. In addition, this explanation will make it possible to account for

<u>firehim</u>, in which <u>i</u> alternates with <u>ehi</u> as the <u>eh</u>-insertion rule (1) predicts. On the other hand, a merger of <u>i</u> and <u>e</u> incorporated into the <u>eh</u>-insertion rule would predict that all instances of <u>i</u> should alternate with ehe, and thus would wrongly predict \*firehem.

We posit, then, two separate developments, the second of which is not yet complete.

(i) 
$$\acute{V} \rightarrow ehV/VC_1^2 -- C#$$

(ii) e → i/-- Ci#

We emerge with four patterns:

This explanation, it should be pointed out, still leaves two words unaccounted for, <u>rebehon</u> and <u>qehelihen</u>. They may perhaps be due to inaccuracies in the transcription; in any case, a larger body of data would be needed before it could be hoped that a reasonable explication of these forms could be found.

We have seen in two distinct cases evidence of a variable rule which raises some instances of  $\underline{e}$  before a dual suffix, while leaving others untouched. Additional evidence can be found in a few other words which show raising elsewhere than in the feminine marker:

mahber	maḥbiri	hundred
te'e	ti'iti	sheep
'ed	'idi	hand
šelhel	<u>šeli</u> li	little wadi

That this process is sporadic outside of the feminine suffix and cases of <u>eh</u>-insertion is shown by the existence of words like <u>?arhiyeb</u> which show no change in the dual (<u>?arhiyebi</u>). As stated earlier, the origin of this rule seems to be the reinterpretation of the original rule, which lowered  $\underline{i}$  to  $\underline{e}$  before the  $\underline{h}$  of the feminine suffix.

It still seems rather strange that the destressed vowels of words like <u>mižer</u> should have acquired an <u>eh</u> which leads to sequences of two successive syllables with short vowels, rather than simply being lengthened to [V:]. In order to shed some light on this, let us turn to another set of words, one of which we have just seen in another context.

Some nouns show an alternation in singular and dual forms which involves the presence or absence of  $\underline{h}$  alone, rather than  $\underline{eh}$ . Thus, alongside qarmehem-qarmemi we have qanther-qanteri. Similarly we find

šerher	šereri	spark
ther	teri	entrance
fa?har	fa?ari	young bull
šelhel	šelili	little wadi

We have no way of predicting which of these two forms  $(\underline{h} \text{ or } \underline{eh})$  will occur, if one appears at all. The  $\underline{h}$  appears to be associated with a final liquid, but this is not a sufficient condition, there being some words with inserted  $\underline{eh}$  which also conclude with liquids, such as  $\underline{\underline{sibreher}}$  and  $\underline{\underline{mižeher}}$ . There is no simple solution to this problem, but the following conjectural explanation appears to account for the facts well.

As a first step in our explanation, we will assume that forms like \*qarmemV, concluding with a short vowel case ending, reacted initially to loss of their final vowels and the resultant shift of stress by a simple lengthening of the originally penultimate vowel. Thus, \*qarmemV first became \*qarmem.

Soqotri has a number of words, such as <u>sohor</u> "thorn", and <u>scher</u> "month", which contain the pattern <u>VhV</u>, and in which the <u>h</u> seems to be underlying. If, for some period in the past, a variable rule appeared which deleted <u>h</u>, sequences of the type <u>VhV</u> would have alternated with <u>VV</u>, that is  $\overline{V}$ . The long vowels thus created would have merged with other long vowels, such as those resulting from compensatory lengthening in words like \*qarmēm.

The surface alternations created by this variable rule now could be generalized to those forms which had long vowels from other sources, such as \*qarmēm, on the basis of the model

$$\underline{\underline{e}}$$
 :  $\underline{ehe}$   
 $\underline{\underline{e}}$  :  $X$  =  $\underline{ehe}$ .

Notice that this cannot be considered a <u>rule</u> generalization, but must be a surface generalization. For the rule accounting for the model alternation <u>e</u>: <u>ehe</u> is one of deletion of underlying /h/. Forms like \*qarmer, however, lack an underlying /h/ which can be deleted.

Subsequently, the variable rule deleting  $\underline{h}$  apparently was again dropped from the grammar. On the other hand, the ehe of forms like \*qarmehem,

not being derivable from underlying /ehe/ and thus not affected by this rule loss, remained and had to be accounted for by the synchronic grammar. Apparently this was done by a reinterpretation of ehe as eh + e, i.e. as eh-insertion, for this pattern has spread to several other nouns; cf. examples (7), (8), and (9) in Table I. Thus we have fidehon in place of the expected \*fidohon, and firehim instead of \*firihim. We can summarize these steps in the following tabular form.

	<u>qarmém</u> V	<u>tebór</u> V
loss of case endings	<u>qarmēm</u>	tebőr
analogical h-insertion	qarmehem	tebohor
spread of eh pattern	-	tebehor

The introduction of the  $\underline{h}$  into a group of singulars provides what may be interpreted as a singular marker, in opposition to the  $-\underline{i}$  which marks the dual. This encouraged one more analogical change, this time involving words like  $\underline{\S}$ elhel. If these words originally had  $\underline{h}$  in both the singular and dual forms, it would have become variable like all others during the period of our posited  $\underline{h}$ -deletion rule. When the  $\underline{h}$  became stable again and/or emerged as a singular marker in forms like qarmehem, by analogy the  $\underline{h}$  would have been retained in the singular ( $\underline{\S}$ elhel) and dropped in the dual, yielding \* $\underline{\S}$ eleli, and after raising  $\underline{\S}$ elili, the actual form.

By our hypothesis, then, a series of reanalyses of situations resulting from variability resulted in a new system of marking for number in this group of Soqotri nouns. This is particularly interesting since it involves an interplay of rule action and surface analogy. For a similar case see Hock 1975. The role of variability in restructuring can be seen to be important in providing an explanation for this problem. I should add, however, one important caveat about this case. The material on which this paper is based was collected in an early expedition, and perhaps as a result, is hardly a model of consistency. It would be of great interest to have a new collection of data for checking purposes, to gather new forms, and to measure the progress of change in this language over the last three-quarters of a century.

### NOTES

<sup>1</sup>The expedition of the Austrian Royal Academy of Science of 1899, the results of which are partly contained in Muller's Mehri und Soqotri Sprache.

 $^2\!\mathrm{An}$  attempt to account for this rather unnatural rule will be presented below.

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# SUBSTRATUM INFLUENCE ON (RIG-VEDIC) SANSKRIT?

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- 0.1: As is well known, the South Asian subcontinent today constitutes one of the paradigm cases of linguistic convergence: Three major linguistic families of distinct origins (Dravidian, Indo-Aryan, and Munda), as well as at least one language isolate (Burushaski) have merged into a sprachbund which further extends into the fringes of the neighboring Iranian and Tibeto-Burman language families. This sprachbund is characterized by an impressive array of shared features which are found throughout most or all of the individual subdialects of the area and which include a contrast between dental and retroflex segments, a prevailing SOV sentence structure, and the phenomenon of a 'cumulative' extended sentence structure characterized by the tendency to limit the occurence of finite verbs to the rightmost clause, while all preceding (non-relative) clauses have the verb appear as a non-finite 'absolutive'. Recent discussions of these and other phenomena may be found in Emeneau 1956, 1965, Gumperz & Wilson 1971, Masica 1974, Ramanujan & Masica 1969. Compare also vol. 3 of the International Journal of Dravidian Linguistics, pp. 1-230, with a rich cumulative bibliography on pp. 231-45.
- 0.2: Considering the massiveness of this present-day convergence, it is only natural to assume that it must be the result of centuries, if not of millenia, of quite intimate bilingual contact. And it is equally natural to speculate on the period when the developments leading to this convergence must have begun. In terms of the history of Indo-Aryan, did they begin at the time of the earliest extant texts, the Vedic samhitas, especially the oldest among them, the Rig-Veda? Or did they take their course only in a later, post-Vedic period?

In addition, it is natural to speculate on the direction of the convergence in its early stages. Was it a mutual convergence, as it is usually encountered in present-day India (cf. e.g. Gumperz & Wilson 1971)? Or was it mainly a unidirectional convergence comparable, say, to that between Czech and German?

0.3: There is a vast amount and variety of literature addressing itself to these questions. As early as 1833, Pott considered the dental/retroflex contrast of Sanskrit at least partly due to the influence of the

'autochthonous' languages (78), 2 later specifying these as Bravidian (1836: 19, 453). In 1856, Caldwell made similar claims (38). As time progressed, the number of linguists subscribing to this view and adding other features of (Rig-)Vedic or post-Vedic Sanskrit considered the result of Dravidian influence steadily increased.

In 1921, Przyluski added another possible source for some of these phenomena, namely Munda. Lévi (1923) added further weight to the assumption that Munda at one time must have been very influential in the South Asian area. As a consequence, it was for some time considered possible that Munda, as well as Dravidian, may have contributed to the specifically "Indian" features of Sanskrit (such as the dental/retroflex contrast); cf. e.g. Bloch 1934:53-4. As a matter of fact, Pizzagalli (1929:165-7) believed that only the Munda languages could be the source for Indo-Aryan retroflexion. In the more recent literature, however, the influence of Munda is considered to have been minimal at best, Dravidian being cited as the only probable source language; cf. e.g. Emeneau 1956, 1962a, 1974, Kuiper 1967a.

0.4: There is thus a long tradition of explicitly or implicitly answering the question concerning the beginning of the South Asian convergence to have been pre-Vedic (since the dental/retroflex contrast occurs already in the earliest, Rig-Vedic texts). Moreover, at least for the early, Vedic period, there is a tacit agreement that the convergence was unidirectional, from Dravidian (or Munda) to Sanskrit. At any rate, except perhaps for the area of vocabulary, no attempt seems to have been made to identify any instances of early convergence in the opposite direction.

0.5: This view, however, has not remained unchallenged. There has been a small, but constant flow of linguistic opinion according to which, especially in view of our present ignorance about the full linguistic panorama of early India, it is hazardous to attribute convergence only to a Dravidian (and/or Munda) substratum: There may have been other languages which could have been the source for at least some of the phenomena. (Cf. e.g. Bloch 1929:731-2, 1934:322-4, Mayrhofer 1953:233-4, Thieme 1955:436-48.<sup>3</sup>) In light of the fact that even today we find the isolated Burushaski in the South Asian sprachbund, this cautionary attitude seems to be justified.

Some linguists even have completely rejected the hypotheses advocating early substratum influence, and have claimed that the developments in ques-

side, non-Indo-Aryan substratum; cf. e.g. Bühler 1864, Bloch 1925:16, 29.

Finally, other linguists, accepting the view that (some of) the phenomena in question can be accounted for as regular, native developments, proposed that at most, the substratum language(s) accelerated or 'helped' these developments; cf. e.g. Konow 1903:455, 1906:279, Bloch 1929:723-4, 1934:53-4 (thus changing his earlier, 1925 view), Burrow 1955:95-6.

0.6: The purpose of the present paper is to critically examine the evidence and the major arguments brought forth in favor of these conflicting views. Specifically, it will be concerned with determining whether the hypothesis can be considered acceptable that the South Asian convergence began, in a unidirectional fashion, as early as pre-Rig-Vedic. In view of our present state of ignorance about (alternative possibilities within) the <u>full</u> linguistic panorama of early India, it will be held that this hypothesis can be considered acceptable only if it can be shown to be established <u>beyond</u> a reasonable doubt.

## 1: FEATURES ATTRIBUTED TO (EARLY) CONVERGENCE

1.1: <u>Vocabulary</u>: Evidence for both Dravidian and Munda borrowings has been frequently adduced. Cf. e.g. the lists in Kuiper 1948, 1955, Burrow 1955:378-9 (Munda) and 380-6 (Dravidian), Thumb-Hauschild 1958:122-4.

The evidence for Dravidian borrowings is especially prominent in later Sanskrit; cf. e.g. Class. Skt. mina- 'fish'. It is generally admitted to be rather limited in the Rig-Veda, which offers ulukhala- 'mortar', kunda-'pitcher', mayūrī- 'peahen'.

On the other hand, the evidence for Munda borrowings seems to be more prominent in Rig-Vedic, where forms like <u>lángala</u>- 'plough', as well as personal names like <u>Sámbara</u>- (passim), according to Hayrhofer (1951:58-9) the perhaps most important [human] opponent of Indra, <u>Árbuda</u> (7x), <u>Sŕbinda</u>- (8:32:2) can be found. (The ratio between Rig-Vedic Munda and Dravidian borrowings listed in Kuiper 1955 is, roughly, 2:1.)

One pervasive difficulty with these lexical borrowings, however, is the fact noted by Kuiper (1948:8-9 and esp. 1955:139) that there seems to have been a good deal of lexical borrowing also between Munda and Dravidian, making it 'nearly impossible to decide, on the evidence now available, whether [many individual words] originate in Munda, or in Dravidian ...' Thus, while

- ulúkhala- is by some attributed to Dravidian (cf. Burrow 1955:380), others consider it Munda (cf. Kuiper 1955, where Dravidian origin is considered at more doubtful). However, these uncertainties of attribution are not considered serious enough to preclude the conclusion that there is evidence, as early as Rig-Vedic, for both Dravidian and Hunda borrowings.
- 1.2: Retroflexion: As stated earlier, there is a long tradition of considering the dental/retroflex contrast of Sanskrit (cf. vit 'knowledge' vs. vit 'clan') the result of substratum influence. In those cases where it is possible to account for retroflexion in terms of regular phonetic developments (cf. 4.3.1 and 4.3.4 below), to be sure, some linguists have maintained that the influence of the substratum may have acted only as an accelerating catalyst. However, there are in Sanskrit many instances where instead of an expected regular dental we find a retroflex; cf. RV atati 'wanders' vs. later atati (id.). Such instances of "sporadic" or "spontaneous" retroflexion can be found as early as Rig-Vedic; cf. RV sthúna- 'pillar' vs. OPers. stúnā-, Av. stunā-. It is evidence of this sort which is considered most probative; cf. 2.2.1 below. (For retroflexion in general, cf. e.g. Bailey 1961, 1963, Bhat 1973, Bloch 1934, Emeneau 1954:283, 1974:92-3, Konow 1903:455, 1906:279, Kuiper 1967a:91 (with 1967b), Lewy 1913:116-7, Southworth 1971:261, Thumb-Hauschild 1958:123.)
- 1.3: Absolutives: Beside the "Indo-European" type of construction yat kundam akarod (sg. 3 impf.) devadatto 'pibat 'when he (had) made the pitcher, D. drank', Sanskrit also offers constructions of the type kundam kṛtvā (abs.) devadatto 'pibat 'having made the pitcher, D. drank', where the absolutive is non-finite and bears no overt syntactic relationship to any other constituent of the sentence. Especially in later Sanskrit, extended syntactic structures may offer !chain! flike series of reduced clauses with absolutives, and a finite verb occurring only in the rightmost clause. This type of construction is generally considered the result of Dravidian, more rarely of Munda influence; cf. e.g. Bloch 1929:733-5, Master 1930:105, Thumb-Hauschild 1958:124, Kuiper 1967a:95-7.
- 1.4: Participles as finite verbs: In the history of Sanskrit, we find an increasing use of (past) participial expressions (usually with omitted copula) instead of the "normal", "Indo-European" finite (past-tense) verbs; cf. "IE" devadattab kundam akarot vs. participial devadattena kundam lirtam (asti) 'D. made a pitcher'. (This development is traced very carefully in

- Bloch 1906.) Especially in earlier discussions, this development has been attributed to Dravidian influence; cf. e.g. Konow 1903:456-7, Lewy 1913:116-7, as well as the more recent Thumb-Hauschild 1958:129.
- 1.5: <u>Mominal style</u>: In addition to the device of using absolutives or participles, (post-RV) Sanskrit eliminates finite verbs (and reduces clauses) also by means of nominal syntax, as in <u>gataye</u> (sg. D of abstr. noun <u>gati-</u>'going') 'for, to going' = 'in order to go; so that I (etc.) may go'. This is often combined with a high degree of compounding, eliminating inflectional endings on all but a few nouns per clause (and virtually eliminating finite verbs); cf. <u>vidarbha-nagara-gati-sambhava-icchan</u> (sg. N m.) 'desiring possibility (of) going (to) city (of Vidarbha' = 'he desires to go to the city of Vidarbha'. Compounds of this sort can grow to extreme lengths (approaching 30 members or more) in the later language. This increasing tendency toward nominal style has been attributed to (Dravidian) substratum influence, especially in earlier discussions; cf. e.g. Lewy 1913:116-7, Master 1930:105, Thumb-Hauschild 1958:108, 124.
- 1.6: SOV: The fact that in Sanskrit the order Subject-Object-Verb is much more firmly entrenched than in the more western IE languages, combined with the New Indo-Aryan prevalence of that order, has led especially more recent investigators to the assumption that this "Indian" feature is the result of a (Dravidian) substratum; c.f. e.g. Friedrich 1973 and In Press, Miller 1975. Masica (1974) argues, mainly on modern evidence, for a more general Indo-Altaic sprachbund.
- 1.7: Quotative iti: The preference of Sanskrit not to subordinate (indirect) discourse, but to have direct discourse, marked off by the (usually postposed) particle iti (originally 'thus') has been attributed to a Dravidian substratum. (Examples of this use of iti are found already in the Rig-Veda, as in yá indrāya sunávāma iti āha (4:25:4) 'who says "we will press for Indra" (unquote)'.) Cf. Bloch 1934:325-8 (with some apparent hesitations) and especially Kuiper 1967a:91-5. Hayrhofer (1953:355) considered this feature to have originated in a pre-Indo-Aryan and pre-Dravidian substratum.
- 1.8: amredita-compounds: The distributive use of repetitions (amredita-compounds), as in svam svam caritram sikseran 'they should learn every one his own duty', has occasionally been claimed to be the result of sub-

stratum influence; cf. e.g. Bloch 1929:733-5, 1934:328, Thumb-Hauschild 1958:124.

- 1.9: <u>api</u>: One of the newest additions to the phenomena claimed to result from Dravidian influence is the multiplicity of functions of the (inherited) particle <u>api</u>. In addition to being a preverb (its inherited function), the word is also used to mean (1) 'also', (2) 'and' (especially when combined with <u>ca</u> 'and'), (3) concessive 'even' (with or without <u>yadi</u> 'if'), (4) 'totality (vel sim.)' after numerals or quantifiers (as in <u>dvav api</u> 'two altogether', <u>sarve 'pi</u> 'all (altogether)'), (5) '-(so)ever' after interrogatives (as in <u>ko 'pi</u> 'who(so)ever'). Cf. Emeneau 1974:93-111.
- 1.10 <u>Caste terminology and usage</u>: The other recent addition of Emeneau's (1974:111-28) is the post-Vedic pattern of making derived feminines from masculine caste names to denote the wife of the mesculine term (as in <u>kumbhakārī</u>- 'wife of a <u>kumbhakāra</u>- "potter"', <u>kṣatriyā</u>- 'wife of a kṣatriya') and the quasi-pronominal usage of these terms (as in <u>kṣatriye</u> (sg. Voc.) 'O Kṣ.', addressed by a male kṣatriya to his wife).
  - 2: ARGUMENTS FOR NON-INDO-EUROPEAN, SUBSTRATUM ORIGIN OF THE FEATURES
- 2.1: As regards <u>vocabulary</u>, it is of course relatively easy to argue for non-native origin in the case of words which cannot be traced to PIE or Proto-Indo-Iranian sources. The only major difficulty is that mentioned in section 1.1 above, namely that it is often uncertain whether Dravidian or Munda should be considered the donor for a given word.<sup>5</sup>

Vocabulary correspondences of this sort, however, merely establish evidence for <u>contact</u>. They do not by themselves prove convergence (nor does their absence necessarily disprove possible convergence). Still, evidence of this sort is important in prehistoric arguments, since one should presumably be able to demonstrate that two languages considered to have undergone convergence were in fact in contact.

2.2: What has generally been considered proof for <u>convergence</u> is the argument that the features listed in section 1 above are (a) innovations of Sanskrit and (b) inherited in Dravidian (or Munda). In addition, the general, though often implicit, argument is that the features in question are alien to Indo-European.

While at one time, both Dravidian and Munda were considered possible

sources for at least some of these features, the tendency now is to consider only Dravidian a possible source. In the following I will briefly summarize the individual arguments in favor of this latter, more up-to-date position.

2.2.1: Retroflexion: While Proto-Dravidian had a contrast between dental and retroflex (as well as, in some series, a third, alveolar articulation), Proto-Munda appears to have had a system in which a voiceless dental stop corresponds to a voiced alveolar stop, with voicing being the basic, distinctive feature (i.e. [t]: [d] like [p]: [b] etc.). Cf. e.g. Bhat 1973: 32 and Zvelebil 1968:252 for Dravidian and Bhat 1973:33, Zide 1969:423 for Munda. On the other hand, retroflexion is an innovation in Indo-Aryan (and some of the neighboring East Iranian dialects). Moreover, it is frequently argued that retroflexion is an un-IE feature, occurring rarely, if ever, in the other IE languages. This position has perhaps been most strongly argued by Bhat (1973) who claims that all instances of retroflexion in the non-Indian IE languages for which he had data (Swedish, Norwegian, Faroese, Breton, and English) may be due to contact with the Uralic languages (40-1) and that moreover, retroflexion, since it introduces a new feature, can never come about by normal, native developments, but is either inherited from a protolanguage or due to contact with a neighboring language (in which it may be inherited or due to contact) (41-2).

Especially the non-regular, "spontaneous" retroflexes of Sanskrit can be taken as evidence for substratum influence; cf. Emeneau 1974:92-3. Thus, even if allowances are made for a 'native' development of regular retroflexion, there would still remain some evidence for convergence.

- 2.2.2: Similarly, the use of <u>absolutives</u> is considered an inherited feature in Dravidian, but an innovation in Indo-Aryan, as well as in Munda. Cf. especially Kuiper 1967a:95-7 who argues that in Dravidian only absolutive constructions are possible for subordinate clauses, while in Munda, the northern languages have constructions morphologically different from those of the southern languages, with no such constructions attested in the <u>non-Indi-an Austro-Asiatic languages</u>.
- 2.2.3: Kuiper (ibid.91-4) offers a similar argument for considering the use of (postposed) <u>quotative</u> particles inherited in Dravidian, which permits only direct discourse, 'followed by a word which means "having said",

- e.g. Tamil enru ...' On the other hand, only some of the Munda languages have quotative particles which, moreover, dialectally disagree in structure and formation. As for Indo-Iranian, Iranian only shows uiti 'thus' + verb of speaking (SAY) either preposed or inserted into the direct discourse, but not postposed. In addition, already Rig-Vedic offers instances of clearly quotative iti without accompanying SAY. These facts, in his view, show that postposed quotative iti is a substratum-induced innovation.
- 2.2.4: Similar arguments for <u>SOV</u> as being the result of Dravidian influence are found in Friedrich In Press. Cf. also Masica 1974 who argues for a larger, Indo-Altaic sprachbund and who adds the specific argument that the SVO of modern Kashmiri may possibly be an archaic relic (174), while--one infers--the Sanskrit SOV would be substratum-induced.
- 2.2.5: api: According to Emeneau (1974:111), 'None of the Sanskrit structure [of api] is inherited straightforwardly from Indo-European, or even from Indo-Iranian.' Moreover, since usages (4) and (5) (cf. 1.9 above) are not found before the Classical period, we must here be dealing with an 'innovatory development within the history of Indo-Aryan.' On the other hand, as he convincingly demonstrates (104-10), in Dravidian a postpositive particle \*-um can be reconstructed for the proto-language, with all the five meanings of Skt. api.
- 2.2.6: Emeneau (ibid.111-28) advances a parallel argument for Dravidian origin of the feature of special <u>caste terminology and usage</u>. In his view, this pattern must be indigenous to India, since the caste system is indigenous. Moreover, this pattern does not emerge before the post-Vedic period, indicating an innovation. As for Dravidian, he does however admit one difficulty: The feature under discussion, to the extent that it is found in 'the Central Dravidian material from the backwoods areas of Central India, where the aboriginal social structure is tribal', rather than caste-oriented, is Indo-Aryan, not Dravidian in nature. Still, he considers it most probable that the feature did emanate from the sociologically more advanced Dravidians living 'in the riverine plains of North India ...'
- 2.2.7: The distributive use of <u>amredita-compounds</u>, as well as the tendencies toward using <u>participles</u> as <u>finite verbs</u> and toward <u>nominal style</u> are now not normally cited as <u>Dravidian</u> in origin; but cf. Thumb-Hauschild 1958:124 where the former two features are, presumably on the basis of similar arguments, claimed to be attributable only to Dravidian, while the latter

is considered derivable either from Munda or from Dravidian. Lewy (1913: 116-7) more explicitly considered the use of participles as finite verbs modeled on the essentially participial nature of the Dravidian verb, while nominal style, with its sharp reduction in nominal inflection, in his view mirrors the frequent Dravidian use of uninflected nominal stems.

- 2.2.8: The balance of the arguments discussed in 2.2.1-7 thus is clearly in favor of Dravidian, not Munda origin for the Sanskrit features in question.
- 2.3: Corroborating evidence for the view that Sanskrit was—and could be—influenced by Dravidian at a very early time is often considered to lie in the fact that, though most of the attested Dravidian languages are spoken in the south, with some located in the relic areas of the Central Highlands, one language—Brahui—is found in the northwest of the subcontinent, in Ba—luchistan, i.e. in an area close to that first occupied by the Indo-Aryans. Cf. e.g. Southworth (1971:256-7) who, referring to Dyen 1956, claims that lexicostatistic evidence shows that this northerly position must be old. The relative 'continuity in dominant physical type on the subcontinent from the stone age up to the present day' in his view further shows that the whole area, from Brahui to the Southern Dravidian languages, once was solidly Dravidian and that today's vast intervening stretches of Indo-Aryan are the result of an absorption, not a replacement, of the native Dravidian population by the Indo-Aryans. This, of course, would make Dravidian substratum influence on (early) Indo-Aryan eminently possible.
- 2.4: It is further often assumed that Dravidian must have been the language of the Indus Valley Civilization which is generally thought to have flourished from 2500 to 1500 B.C. and which is frequently believed to have been destroyed by the invading Indo-Aryans; cf. e.g. Southworth ibid. The best arguments for considering the Indo-Aryans the destroyers of the Indus Valley Civilization have been summarized by Burrow (1975): The Vedic war god Indra is known as puramdara- 'destroyer of cities'; Agni, the fire god, is also prominently mentioned in the Rig-Veda in this connection, 'understandably, since many of the Indus cities appear to have been destroyed by fire'; finally, there are numerous Vedic references to an indigenous population, the Dasas or Dasyus, 'and to the occupation of their land and the capture of their possessions' (25). The view that these Dasas or Dasyus more likely were Dravidians than Mundas was supported by Kuiper (1955:139-40)

with the argument that 'higher civilizations of Austro-Asiatic peoples seem only to have arisen under foreign influence.'

- 2.5: Any argument for Dravidian origin of a given feature which is based on considering that feature inherited in Dravidian but innovated in Indo-Aryan presupposes the-usually only implicit--assumption that the dialectal dissolution of Proto-Dravidian had taken place before the arrival of the Indo-Aryans. Otherwise, the possibility cannot be excluded that the convergence took place in the opposite direction, that Indo-Aryan innovations penetrated Proto-Dravidian, and that this accounts for the 'inherited' appearance of the feature in the Dravidian languages. The fact that Andronov (1963) determined, on the basis of glottochronology, that the split between (the ancestor of) Telugu and (that of) Brahui took place ca. 4100 B.C., i.e. some 2600 years before the earliest normally admitted arrival date of the Indo-Aryans, would seem to provide some explicit foundation for this assumption.
- 2.6: There is, finally, some more tangible, direct evidence for Dravidian influence on Indo-Aryan in late Vedic and especially in classical times. This evidence, however, is limited to the south of India which even today is Dravidian. In this area we find both evidence for simple substratum influence on Sanskrit, such as the change of Skt. 1 to 1 (cf. Wackernagel 1896: 256, Caland 1906:302-3), as well as more general syntactic features which violate the rules of Sanskrit (cf. Caland 1926) and downright code mixing and code switching (cf. Wackernagel 1896:1v, Mayrhofer 1953:231-2).

## 3: CRITIQUE OF THE PRO-DRAVIDIAN ARGUMENTS

- 3.1: Although in the area of <u>vocabulary</u> there is ample evidence for Dravidian borrowings in post-(Rig-)Vedic (but cf. also further below), for the early, Rig-Vedic period the evidence is far from overwhelming.
- Of the 77 items listed in Burrow 1955:378-86, only 12 occur in the Rig-Veda. Of these, 8 occur in the notoriously late first and tenth books (úlapa- 'shrub', ulúkhala- 'mortar', kátuka- 'sharp', kúta- 'hole', khála- 'threshing floor', pínda- 'lump', bíla- 'hole', mayúri- 'peahen'). Also dandá- 'stick' (7:83:6) occurs in a late hymn. Only three occur elsewhere, namely kundá- (in kundapáyya- (8:17:13), a proper name of Indo-Aryan compcund structure), pan- 'bargain, wager' (if in paní- (passim) 'merchant; miser; anti-Aryan'), bála- 'strength' (passim).

More importantly, Thieme (1955:436-48) expressed to my mind justified doubts about many of the allegedly Dravidian etymologies.

In the first place, he pointed out that there is ample evidence that the Sanskrit tradition was so puristic that even non-Sanskrit Indo-Aryan words were considered mleccha- 'barbaric' and thus to be avoided. Moreover, the early Sanskrit grammarians, while making reference to other Indo-Aryan or even Iranian dialects, make no mention at all of any Dravidian dialects. In addition, many of the allegedly Dravidian words can be accounted for in terms of Indo-European or native Indo-Aryan etymologies. Cf. e.g. ulukhalawhich occurs in a 'hymn designated for recitation at a simple ceremony', in domestic ritual, 'in the presence of the wife'. Thieme proposed to therefore consider the word a non-educated, woman's-language word (with "popular" 1 for "hieratic" r8), corresponding to an educated, and completely native, \*uru-khara- 'having a broad khara- "stomping ground" !. For other words, like mayuri- 'peahen' (from mayura- 'peacock'), Thieme thought that they may well not be native Indo-Aryan in origin, since e.g. peacocks are not found in pre-Indian IE territories and since the final -ura- recurs in other etymologically opaque forms, such as masūra-'lentil'. While words of this type thus may be borrowings, one cannot be certain that they must be from Dravidian. Conclusive proof for such an assumption would in Thieme's view have to consist in showing e.g. that (a) there was a Proto-Dravidian form mayura- (vel sim.) meaning 'peacock' and (b) that this form consisted of meaningful Dravidian elements or that, at least, its component parts (such as -ura-) recur in a morphologically meaningful way in other, clearly native Dravidian words. Without such proof, the possibility cannot be excluded that Dravidian cognates like Tam. mayil are loans from Sanskrit (or another Indo-Aryan dialect). -- What is interesting in this respect is that Bailey later showed that there is a cognate of mayura- in the Middle Iranian dialect of Saka, namely mur-asa- 'peacock', which 'is not a recent borrowing from Sanskrit' and whose phonological relationship to Skt. mayura- follows a highly archaic, Proto-Indo-Iranian (or even PIE) pattern (1975:59). This might well suggest that the word for 'peacock' was borrowed into Indo-Iranian prior to the Indo-Aryan arrival in India and that the Dravidian cognates are in fact borrowings from Indo-Aryan.

While there is thus no evidence for 'etymologizability' (within Dravidian) of the alleged Rig-Vedic Dravidian borrowings, at least one of the Rig-Vedic words considered a Munda borrowing, lángala- 'plough' (4:57:4, a hymn of the middle period), is 'etymologizable' within Munda: Its cognates in the later Sanskrit and Pāli borrowings hala- and na-n-gala-, as well as its Munda (Santali na-hel) and non-Indian (!) Austro-Asiatic cognates (Khmer a-n-kāl, Malay te-n-gala) exhibit typical Austro-Asiatic morphology and morphophonology, namely varying prefixes and/or variation between prenasalized and simple root-initial segments; cf. e.g. Mayrhofer 1953:239-42, 1963: 10-11. In addition, already Lévi (1923) showed that many of the non-Indo-Aryan tribal names mentioned in Sanskrit, including Rig-Vedic, correspond in

a systematic fashion to other tribal names from which they differ only in terms of their prefixes; cf. e.g. (post-RV) Pulinda-: Kulinda-, Kosala-: Tosala-, Anga-: Vanga-[cf. RV vangrda-(?) (1:53:8), the name of a "demon", i.e. of an enemy of the Aryans and their gods]. As Lévi pointed out, the formational process differentiating these pairs is unknown in IE and in Dravidian, but is native to (Austro-Asiatic) Munda. According to Lévi, it is even possible to give Austro-Asiatic etymologies for many of these names. What is especially interesting in the present context is the fact that geographically, these tribal names form a chain extending from the eastern border of Kashmir to the Central Mountains where even today, Mundaspeaking tribes can be found.

Add to this the fact mentioned in 1.1 above, that the Rig-Vedic Munda forms include personal names, including that of Śámbara, the perhaps most important human opponent of Indra (and his Aryan followers), and the case seems to be overwhelmingly in favor of early contact between Munda and Indo-Aryan; cf. e.g. Mayrhofer 1951:58-9. On the other hand, the apparent absence of 'etymologizable' vocabulary (and names) of Dravidian origin casts considerable doubt on the assumption of early Dravidian/Indo-Aryan contact.

Even for the later, Classical period, Bloch (1929) made the intriguing suggestion that the Dravidian words of that period may have been 'imported into classical Sanskrit by individual literary men' who may have been from the Deccan. 'What leads me to suspect that some of the words found in classical Sanskrit may be considered as provincialisms, rather than as real borrowings is this: some of the most characteristic borrowings ... are missing in the [modern] vernaculars.' Cf. nīra- 'water', toya- (id.), mīna- 'fish', edaka- 'ram', heramba- 'buffalo' which have all 'disappeared, if they ever did really exist.' Except for elaka- 'ram', they are not even found in Pāli; and Hindi has reflexes only of the corresponding Indo-Aryan words: pānī 'water', machlī 'fish', merhā 'ram', bhēs 'buffalo'.9a If Bloch is correct, we may well be dealing with further instances of the regionally limited, and relatively late Dravidian influence on Sanskrit noted in 2.6 above.

3.2: The evidence just presented additionally casts doubt on the claim that the northwest, the area first settled by the Indo-Aryans and, as we have just seen, previously apparently settled by Mundas, was Dravidian territory and that the present-day location of Brahui is a relic position.

As a matter of fact, as early as 1925, Bloch suggested that Brahui may possibly have (re-)migrated to the northwest from an area further south. He noted in this context that Brahui is closely related to the more southerly dialects of Kurukh and Malto. (Cf. also Bloch 1929:731 with additional argu-

ments.) Moreover, as Emeneau (1962b:62-70) showed, Brahui, together with its Central Indian relatives, Kurukh and Malto, does not form the most archaic, relic-like offshoot of Dravidian (which rather is to be found in the Kui/Kwi subfamily). Even for the more southerly Kurukh and Malto, Bloch (1946: xxviii) suggested that they are 'new arrivals' in Central India, that they are native to the more southern Karnatak, 'and some of their villages have Munda names.'

Finally, Dyen's (1956:625) lexicostatistic evaluation of the status of Brahui does not, as Southworth claimed (cf. 2.3 above), necessarily support an original northern position for the language: '... there is a choice whether Brahui was separated from the other languages by the Indo-Aryan invasion or whether it represents a migration. Since a negative migration cannot be ruled out, the two inferences are equally probable.' (Among historians, there is at least one seriously considered theory according to which the Dravidians may have settled (by sea) directly in South India, at roughly the same time as the Indo-Aryans arrived (by land) in the northwest; cf. Nilakanta Sastri 1966:48-65.)

3.3: It is further questionable whether the Indo-Aryans destroyed the Indus Valley Civilization:

The archaeological evidence now available indicates that 'there was an appreciable time lag between the end of the Indus civilization' and the next chronological layer, the "Cemetery H" people (whose alleged identity with the Indo-Aryans is still a matter of controversy, if not doubt) and that moreover there is no basis for the belief that the Civilization came to a violent end; cf. Lal 1975:19. As for the Vedic references to the pur's of the Dāsas or Dasyus (and to Indra as the puramdara-), the pur's seem to have been simple wattle palisades (cf. most recently Schneider 1971:3,14), and the Dāsas or Dasyus were most likely an Iranian (!) tribe whose name is etymologizable within Indo-Iranian from the word dasa- (RV lx), Ir. daha- whose original meaning was 'man, male person' (cf. Bailey 1959:107-15).

3.4: Nor is it certain that Proto-Dravidian must have antedated the arrival of the Indo-Aryans.

In the first instance, the findings of Bergsland & Vogt (1962) cast considerable doubt on the reliability of the glottochronological method on the basis of which Andronov (1963) reached his conclusions. Further, as I hope to have shown elsewhere (In Press:§3.2), the very theory of glottochronology is doubtful, because it rests on a dubious analogy. Finally, McAlpin (1975: 114) justly criticized Andronov's paper by pointing out that since all the Northern Dravidian languages (and many of the Central languages, as well) 'are swamped with Indo-Aryan (or Iranian) loanwords and structures ... (a) fixed rate of replacement does not hold' for these languages. He further states that in his view 'the separation of Elamite and Dravidian [cf. 3.7.2 below] seems to be of the same order of magnitude as that of English and Swedish.' But he adds that 'any such dating attempts are really premature.'

3.5: The evidence so far examined thus strongly favors Munda as the language of first contact for the "invading" Indo-Aryans. At the same time, it casts considerable doubt on the theory that Dravidian was the language of first contact. As a consequence, it becomes difficult to consider as established any hypothesis which attributes to Dravidian influence any of the features found already in Rig-Vedic, viz. retroflexion, absolutives, the use of participles as finite verbs, SOV, quotative <u>iti</u>, and some of the uses of <u>api</u>.

On the other hand, for the reasons given in 2.2.1 above, it would be difficult to account for retroflexion as due to Munda influence.

However, a case could be made for Munda as (one of) the source(s) for "spontaneous" retroflexion. Emeneau (1974:93) has attributed this feature to 'Mistakes [made by native speakers of Dravidian] in the assignment of Sanskrit pure dentals to their own retroflexes'. While it is difficult to see how native speakers of languages with a dental/retroflex contrast would mistake anyone's pure dentals as retroflexes, the converse is quite conceivable, namely that speakers of a language (such as Munda) which does not have such a contrast might make mistakes in trying to speak a language which has it.12 This would of course presuppose that Sanskrit already had a (natively developed) dental/retroflex contrast.

3.6: There is in addition reason to doubt the claim that, if the features under discussion are in fact due to substratum influence, they can be explained only in terms of Dravidian sources. At least for some of the features, there are, a priori at least, other possible sources.

One possibility would be to assume a pre-Dravidian, pre-Indo-Aryan substratum from which both language groups could have acquired the features in which they agree. Thus, Mayrhofer (1953:233-6) attributed the use of absolutives and guotative iti to such a substratum. One might even toy with the idea of attributing all of the features to such a substratum. However, in the absence of any evidence for contact with such a substratum, any such theory has to remain mere speculation.

A more attractive alternative source would be Uralic which, on the evidence of vocabulary correspondences, is known to have had early contacts with Indo-Iranian; cf. e.g. Jacobsohn 1922. If it were to be assumed that this contact took place mainly with the Indo-Aryan and Eastern Iranian subbranches of the family, one might try to account for the retroflexion found in these dialects, as well as the absolutives and the prevailing SOV order, as the result of Uralic influence. Is for at least according to some linguists, Uralic had retroflex consonants (assibilated stops, perhaps also 1 and 1); cf. Collinder 1960:51,68,73. Further, absolutives are found in many of the Uralic languages (Collinder 1957:38,210,and passim) and the syntactic phenomenon of 'various constructions with verb nouns' in the place of "IE" dependent clauses has been reconstructed for Proto-Uralic (cf. Collinder 1965:64);

and OV order is considered the usual order of Uralic (ibid.62).

However, the case for Uralic retroflexion is controversial; cf. the probably justified doubts in Raun 1971:39-42. Moreover, absolutives are found also in Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Altaic (cf. Emeneau 1956:9), as well as in Tibetan (Jacobi 1897:96-7), making it virtually impossible to pinpoint a particular language as the source for this feature. Similarly, as Masica (1974) has shown, SOV is found in a large area which, in addition to Dravidian (and other South Asian languages) and many of the modern Uralic languages, also prominently includes Altaic.

As for the (postposed) quotative marker, we find this feature not only in Dravidian, but also in the possibly related (cf. 3.7.2 below) Elamite (cf. Kuiper apud McAlpin 1975:111), as well as in Tibetan (Goldstein & Kashi 1973:114-5), Burmese (Okell 1969:119 and 150-1). Moreover, quotative particles--which, as in Dravidian and those Munda languages which have them, seem to be derived from the verb SAY--can also be found in non-Indian (!) Austro-Asiatic languages; cf. Mon makeh (postposed), related to keh 'say' (Shorto 1962:77 and 171); Nicobarese 10(h) (pre- or postposed) [related to anah? 'said' (?)] (Braine 1970:230); Cambodian than (preposed), lit. 'to say', direct and indirect discourse marker (Ehrman & Sos 1972:29-30). These extra-Indian attestations of quotative particles cast doubt on Kuiper's argument that in those Munda languages where it is found, the quotative is an innovation modeled on the Dravidian quotative; it is now quite possible that the quotative pattern (even if not all of its lexical realizations) is native also to Austro-Asiatic and thus to Munda.

There are thus, at least for the features of retroflexion, the absolutive, participles as finite verbs, SOV, and the quotative, numerous other possible sources, beside the Dravidian one usually recognized. Also in this regard, it thus becomes hazardous to take Dravidian origin for granted.

3.7: In recent years, the question of possible outside relationships of Dravidian has been taken up again. And because of the excellent progress made in working out the internal relationships of Dravidian and in reconstructing the vocabulary and grammar of the proto-language, the recent attempts to answer this question appear more acceptable than earlier ones, although the proposals so far made still arouse some controversy (cf. the spirited debate apud McAlpin 1975).

Two such connections have been made, one with Uralic (cf. Tyler 1968) and the other with Elamite (cf. MacAlpin 1974, 1975). In addition, McAlpin (1975:114) has raised the possibility of closing this triangle, by showing also a Uralo-Elamite relationship. 14

3.7.1: After briefly outlining the general structural agreements between Uralic and Dravidian, including the fact that 'Negation is expressible by an auxiliary negative verb ...', and after indicating that there is phonological agreement in a number of nominal and verbal affixes, Tyler went on

to give a list of 153 etyma showing systematically recurring phonological similarities and differences. More than 50% of these seem to be basic vocabulary, including body parts and kinship terms. Moreover, about 50% (not necessarily identical with the 50% just mentioned) seem to belong to the vocabulary most easily establishable as cognate and inherited within the Uralic family. As Tyler no doubt correctly argued, such a massive agreement, especially in basic vocabulary, makes anything but genetic relationship highly improbable. Unfortunately, Tyler did not try to reconstruct at least part of the proto-system in terms of which these similarities might be accounted for in a systematic fashion. However, even barring this ultimate proof of genetic relationship (given a broad enough data basis), his argument could be strengthened by pointing out not only that both Dravidian and Uralic (can) express negation by a finite negative auxiliary verb, but that at least one of these negative auxiliaries exhibits a systematic phonological matching between the two language groups, viz. Ur. al- : Drav. al(1)- (cf. Tyler 1968:801 and 804). Considering that finite-verb negation (as distinct from negation-through-particle) is by no means a common phenomenon, the phonological agreement between Uralic and Dravidian in this respect would seem to constitute the type of shared morphological (or syntactic) anomaly which Meillet (1925:27) justly considered most probative in establishing genetic relationship. That is, the conclusion is virtually inescapable that the two language groups are related.

Under these circumstances, the fact that the correspondences between Uralic and Dravidian include sets like the following

Ur. 
$$-\gamma$$
- : Drav.  $\begin{cases} -\mathbf{r} - \\ -\mathbf{r} - \\ -\mathbf{r} - \end{cases}$ 

$$-\delta$$
- :  $\begin{cases} -\mathbf{t} - \\ -\mathbf{t} - \end{cases}$ 

$$-\mathbf{t}$$
- :  $\begin{cases} -\mathbf{t} - \\ -\mathbf{t} - \\ -\mathbf{r} - \end{cases}$ 

where in medial environment, Dravidian always has at least two sets (dental and retroflex) corresponding to a single (usually dental) set of Uralic, takes on special significance. For though it is possible that Dravidian here preserves an ancient distinction which was lost in Uralic, there is another, perhaps preferable conclusion, namely that Uralic is archaic in this respect and that it is Dravidian which exhibits an innovation, a split of what originally was a single set. Such an assumption, even if not amenable to proof at this point, at least would account for the defective distribution of the Dravidian retroflex segments which, as is known, do not occur in ini-

tial environment.

3.7.2: This view tends to be corroborated by McAlpin's work. After a general comparison of the morphological and syntactic similarities between Dravidian and Elamite, McAlpin (1974) showed that the defective distribution of Dravidian retroflex and alveolar stops (which do not occur initially) is accounted for by the fact that the comparative Elamo-Dravidian evidence indicates that Dravidian  ${\bf t}$  and  ${\bf t}$  are in many cases derived from  ${\bf t}$  and  ${\bf t}$  clusters (which remained in Elamite). In addition, a dark  ${\bf t}$  of the protolanguage turns into Dravidian retroflex  ${\bf t}$ . There are, moreover, other sources for Dravidian retroflexes: Both  ${\bf t}$  and  ${\bf t}$  change to  ${\bf t}$  and  ${\bf t}$  between a front vowel and a following vowel.

Unlike Tyler, McAlpin does offer reconstructions and, as the preceding paragraph has shown, establishes the sound changes which relate the reconstructed forms to the attested forms. However, the cognates upon which the reconstructions are based are somewhat sparse: There are only 57 (or 60) such cognates. At the same time, however, these do include basic vocabulary (such as 'help', 'this', 'thou', 'you'). In addition, while his 1974 paper contained little in terms of a comparative morphology and no evidence documenting a shared morphological aberrancy, his 1975 paper does offer the beginnings of a comparative verb morphology. While, as the discussion following his 1975 paper shows, McAlpin's Elamo-Dravidian hypothesis has not yet met with universal approval, the direction his work has taken up to this point—from "mere" vocabulary-based comparison and reconstruction (on a limited data base) to more probative morphological reconstruction—seems to my mind promising and shows that his claims must be taken seriously.

What is interesting in the present context is that McAlpin's work clearly states what, on the basis of Tyler's evidence, could only be suggested, namely that the Dravidian retroflex/dental (or retroflex/dental/alveolar) contrast is just as much an innovation as that of Indo-Aryan. Moreover, while the Dravidian development of rt, rn to t, n is quite a natural one (cf. 4.3.6 below), the development of dentals to retroflex in intervocalic environment cannot easily be accounted for as natural, a fact which may be taken to suggest that, like Indo-Aryan, also Dravidian had some "sporadic" developments of retroflex segments.

Thus, even if there is as yet no universal acceptance of Tyler's and McAlpin's hypotheses, it must be concluded that the (mere) possibility that they are on the right track casts doubt on the traditional claim that the retroflex/dental contrast is an innovation only in Indo-Aryan and not in Dravidian.

3.8: Finally, as pointed out already by Bloch (1925:5), the distributional patterns of retroflexion in Sanskrit and Dravidian are quite different: Sanskrit has (rare) initial retroflexion--Dravidian does not; Dravidian has final retroflexion--Sanskrit does not; Sanskrit has a retro-

flex sibilant--Dravidian does not. <sup>15</sup> This discrepancy does not seem to be well accounted for by a theory which attributes retroflexion to convergence (in <a href="either">either</a> direction, one should perhaps add). <sup>16</sup>

- 4: CRITIQUE OF THE ANTI-INDO-EUROPEAN ARGUMENTS 17
- 4.1: As indicated earlier, the arguments for substratum origin of the features <u>participles as finite verbs</u>, <u>nominal style</u>, and distributive use of <u>Emredita-compounds</u> are not usually included any more in the more recent literature. They can therefore be quickly dispensed with:

Already Geiger (1893:1-5) showed that the replacement of finite past tenses by past-participial constructions is a phenomenon not limited to Indo-Aryan, but found also in Middle Persian, as well as in Kafiri. (For other (Indo-)Iranian dialects, cf. Morgenstierne 1958:163,165-6.) Meillet (1909) demonstrated similar, though not necessarily identical developments in spoken French, Rheto-Romance, Romanian, many of the German dialects, most of Slavic, and in Armenian. An attempt to account for this wide-spread phenomenon, which is not limited to IE languages, was made by Allen (1964). This feature thus is so solidly an Indo-European (and perhaps universal) phenomenon that Dravidian influence need not be invoked. Moreover, Bloch (1925:8-9) argued that (the Indo-Aryan version of) this feature has no Dravidian equivalent.

As for nominal style, already Jacobi (1903) had stated that this feature tends to be found in all languages which have for a long time established a scientific register: Abstraction of thought tends to be mirrored by the more abstract style of nominal syntax (rather than the more concrete, tense-, mood-, and actor-oriented verbal syntax). Renou (1956b) showed how this style developed in the observable history of Sanskrit and spread beyond its original (and normal) bounds. It is not yet found in the samhitas or in Vedic prose; even the language described by Panini still lacks this feature. However, in the late Vedic sutras, especially in those not limited to religious matters but dedicated also to secular topics (such as phonetics, grammar, metrics, astronomy), this style begins to blossom. Renou showed how this reflects the special exigencies of this literature in which brevity [as well as abstractness] was valued very highly. Due to the influence of this literature on later thought, and especially because Panini (though not sanctioning it for the normal, spoken language) employed this style in his grammar, this feature acquired a literary prestige which permitted it to be used in other, nonscientific literary genres of the Classical period. However, even then it remained essentially genre-bound. (The style is found also in Pali prose, contemporary with the sutra literature and similar to it in its subject matter and general objectives.) Renou concluded that we are here dealing with a language-internal, genre-bound, literary innovation for which it would be difficult to assume outside influence. Note further that Davane (1956:46,140-3) has shown that, at least outside of Pali prose, nominal style does not normally appear in the vernacular Middle Indo-Aryan dialects, except in very late texts which are influenced by the 'ornate style' characteristic of the Classical Sanskrit period. That is, throughout the history of Old and Middle Indo-Aryan, nominal style remained a genrebound, stylistic feature, never becoming a general feature of the language.

Finally, the distributive use of amredita-compounds has Indo-Duropean ('iterative') parallels and perhaps antecedents; cf. Dressler 1968. Master (1930:140) has given an even more exact parallel from modern Iranian (Pers. yak yak gusfand-ra mi-kust 'he was slaying the sheep one by one'. Even Gatha-Avestan already offers distributive reiterations like narðm narðm 'man for man'.

- 4.2: <u>SOV</u>: The claim that Indo-Aryan SOV must be an area-induced innovation rests on the premise that PIE either <u>had</u> SVO (cf. Friedrich 1973, In Press) or was <u>turning toward</u> SVO (Miller 1975).
- 4.2.1: In his more recent publication, Friedrich offers an admittedly 'polemical synthesis of the arguments for PIE' as having SVO. His arguments can be summarized as follows.
- (a) Beside dominant Adj. + N order, there is sufficient evidence for N + Adj. to cast doubt on SOV for PIE.
- (b) As for the relative position of noun and genitive phrase, GN is much less common or dominant than NG, indicating that SOV is less likely than SVO.
- (c) In comparative constructions, most of the languages, except Tocharian, Hittite, and Sanskrit (Iranian being uncertain), are in favor of Adj. + Standard. (The location of the Pivot needs to be studied more fully.) Altogether, the evidence for Adj. + Standard is better, supporting SVO.
- (d) In relative clause constructions, even the 'eastern' languages have a high incidence of postposed Rel. Cl. Also the introductory relative marker argues for VO.
- (e) The IE adverbial particles (Friedrich: 'locative auxiliaries') normally precede the verb, indicating SVO. With respect to the noun, they are usually postpositive in Hittite and Tocharian, although the latter also has prepositive order. In Vedic, they are postpositive by a ratio of 4:1, while later on, postpositive order becomes more general, due to 'a long-term drift to the rigid postposing of the modern Indic languages.' (Friedrich considers this drift to indicate an original prepositive order.) Elsewhere, preposing is prevalent. The use of postpositive particles in Greek 'could reflect a partial adjustment to a substratum.' Altogether, then, SVO is the favored order.
- (f) The verb more or less follows the pattern SOV, at least in the early stages of Anatolian, Indic, Iranian, Tocharian, Italic, Baltic. But the pattern is not rigid in Hittite and 'weak' in Vedic. If in the modern Indo-Aryan languages we find more regular, though still not rigid SOV, this again shows an Indo-Aryan drift toward SOV. In Old Iranian, the prevalent order is OV, but not strongly so: non-direct and secondary objects, as well as complements may follow the verb. Modern Persian has SOV, but SVO dominates in the colloquial language, indicating a 'reversion' to the VO type. In all of these languages, OV thus is by no means rigid. On the other hand, the majority of languages, including Albanian and Germanic, have VO; Common Slavic basically has VSO (beside SVO), except for West Slavic SOV; Old Armenian has SVO and VSO; Celtic consistently has VSO. As for Old Irish in-

stances of SOV, these are 'marked alternates within a particular literary tradition' (cf. Wagner 1967). Homeric Greek has OV and VO in a ratio of 3:2, but Gapping supports SVO. The drift of the language is toward SVO.

- (g) The inflected auxiliary normally precedes the nonfinite verb 'in Homeric Greek and the other ancient dialects', indicating SVO.
- (h) The negative particles  $\underline{me}$ ,  $\underline{ne}$ , and the augment  $\underline{e}$  precede the verb, indicating VO.
- (i) In compounds, those which exhibit a VO pattern are more archaic than those with  $\overline{\text{OV}}$ .
- (j) In terms of <u>areal</u> distribution, the SVO languages are central, Baltic SOV being the result of Finno-Ugric influence. SOV (beside vestiges of SVO) is found in the eastern languages, where OV is an areal feature. Similarly for Hittite, located in an area where Sumerian, as well as Semitic Accadian have SOV. That is, in these areas SOV may be substratum-induced. As for Italic, 'The fully developed [SVO] of later Romance may reflect, not the emergence of something entirely new, but the recrudescence and strengthening of colloquial patterns of great antiquity.' Finally, Celtic VSO may be due to interaction with Proto-Berber or some other 'Afro-European' language.
- 4.2.2: Friedrich's arguments are well taken, to the extent that they challenge the overly simplified view that Proto-Indo-European (always) had SOV. However, in many details his arguments are unacceptable.

As for points (a), (b), and (d), we are dealing with features which have no diagnostic value whatsoever (in terms of Greenberg's indices for word order) for arguing against SOV order. As Greenberg (1963:100) clearly stated, the type with SOV and postpositions but N + Adj. and NG is 'very nearly as common' as the 'pure' SOV type exemplified by Turkish. And 'The tendency of relative clauses ... is even stronger than that of adjectives to follow the noun.' This results from 'a general tendency for comment to follow topic.'— It is thus of no significance that there are instances of N + Adj., NG, N + Rel.Cl.; but it is significant that virtually all the languages also show the obverse order which naturally suggests OV.

As for point (e), the order Adv.Particle + Verb can be said to argue for VO only if the adverbial particle is in fact a (verbal) auxiliary. However, I know of no evidence in favor of that assumption. Friedrich's claim that the postpositional use of these particles in Greek may be substratum-induced is mere supposition. The fact that in their postpositive use, these particles by and large retain their Indo-European accent (cf. apo vs. amphi = Skt. apa vs. abhi), while as prepositions they do not (cf. apo = amphi) suggests that postposing is an archaism and (proclitic) preposing a Greek innovation; cf. Schwyzer 1939:387-8. Daly (1973) has argued that the archaic survivals of Lat. mecum 'with me' (etc.) in the Romance languages (cf. It. meco, Span. (con)migo) show that postpositions (and thus SOV order) are an IE archaism. Compare likewise the archaic, frozen, postpositive patterns of English and German thereby, wherefore, damit, wodurch.

Concerning Friedrich's verb-position arguments, it should first be noted that also the earliest Germanic had SOV; cf. Smith 1971. For Slavic, Berneker (1900) showed that verb-final order was original in descriptive and general prose and that verb-initial order was employed in lively narration, while verb-medial order originally was used only occasionally, but became more common as time progressed. Wagner's argument that Old Irish SOV cannot be a relic is open to two objections: (a) As Wagner himself noted, the same highly poetic texts which contain SOV also show the synchronically unusual order GN, an order 'harmonic' with, and thus supporting SOV. (b) Even if the SOV (and GN) order were 'mere' poetic devices, such devices hardly ever are free inventions. They usually have real, frequently archaic linguistic antecedents. As for Friedrich's Gapping arguments for Greek, it should be noted that Subbarao (1972 a,b) has convincingly demonstrated that arguments of this sort are of no diagnostic value in determining (underlying) word order. Add to these observations the fact that in Latin and Germanic there is clear, documented evidence for an increasing development from SOV to SVO (cf. Linde 1923, Smith 1971), and Friedrich's case is weakened even further. Friedrich's suggestion that, at least in Italic, this phenomenon may be a 'recrudescence' of an older colloquial SVO type cannot be accepted as it stands. For as Smith (1971:292) and apparently independently Robertson (1975:146-7) have collectively shown, the survival of SOV in dependent clauses in German, Middle English, and Old French shows that SOV is a genuine archaism, surviving in marked function in accordance with Kurylwicz's fourth law of analogy, and that SVO is an innovation. Finally, it is by no means clear what is meant by SOV, SVO, VSO in many of the recent discussions of basic word order, Friedrich's probably included. If SOV is meant to refer only to verb-final (XV) clauses, this will provide for different statistics from a count based on the interpretation of SOV as meaning that the verb follows the object (OV). Thus, Fischer (1923) showed that until quite late, Greek was pretty solidly (S)OV although, as Kieckers (1911) had demonstrated, it may be heavily VX. As Fischer showed, the X after the V usually consists of adverbial expressions or other material not strictly-speaking necessary for the completion of the sentence. This is also the pattern established for Vedic by Gondá (1959:7-69); and, as Friedrich recognized, it is found also in Old Persian. It is, finally, apparently still found in Modern Persian (cf. Alavi & Lorenz 1967:32-3,64-5) and seems to be a possible pattern also in Hindi. It may thus well be that Proto-Indo-European had SOV, but not necessarily XV, as its basic, unmarked order.

(Concerning the (subsidiary) point (g), I have the impression that Sanskrit and Latin normally place the auxiliary <u>after</u> the nonfinite verb; and Smith (1971) has plausibly argued for this as the oldest pattern of Germanic.)

4.2.3: At the same time, however, there is, as has long been realized (cf. e.g. Berneker 1900, Kroll 1918), evidence also in favor of VSO, an order found in marked function in virtually all of the IE languages. Miller (1975) convincingly showed that this marked and thus <u>archaic</u> order, in conjunction with the archaic VO-compound type (vs. the usual, productive OV type), points to an early stage at which PIE had VSO as its basic order, 18 and that, still in PIE times, there was a shift from this order to SOV. Note

that this change from VSO to SVO may well account, at least in part, for the fact that none of the early IE languages is a 'pure' SOV language.

4.2.4: Miller concludes that late PIE was 'in the process of shifting to SVO', except in the 'eastern' languages where substratum influence may have inhibited the shift. Like Friedrich's areal arguments, however, this view cannot be considered conclusively established.

It is true, Masica has shown (1974) that Sanskrit and Tocharian belong to an 'eastern' ('Indo-Altaic') area with basic SOV, while the western languages belong to an SVO area. However, this does not necessarily indicate that it was the eastern IE languages which innovated in this respect (or resisted a general PIE development). Another interpretation is possible and, considering the evidence, perhaps preferable, namely that PIE itself once belong to the 'eastern' SOV area. This would account for the PIE change from VSO to SVO noted by Miller. (Cf. also 4.5.1 below.) As the 'western' languages became separated from this area, they may have developed an order SVO. This would account for the observable increase in this order in historical times, as well as for the relative archaism of SOV (beside VSO) noted in virtually all of these languages. As Masica has pointed out, also other, non-IE languages show such a development once they are located in the 'western' area. One might attribute this to indigenous substratum influence. Or, considering that SVO (or at least XVY) seems most advanced in Greek, one might argue for diffusion of SVO from Greek. But perhaps the most plausible explanation, considering our ignorance about pre-IE substrata in Europe (including Wagner's and Friedrich's Proto-Berber vel sim.), would be to assume that these western languages had been on the periphery of Masica's 'Indo-Altaic' SOV area, only incompletely participating in the area-induced PIE change of VSO to SOV and retaining VSO to a higher degree than the 'eastern' languages. In that case, the usual 'western' SVO may be seen as a compromise, a syntactic 'blending' between the older VSO and the innovated SVO (helped along, perhaps, by a reinterpretation of XVY as SVO), while the Celtic 'recrudescence' of VSO would constitute a genuine 'reversal' in the area most peripheral to the change from VSO to SOV and thus, perhaps, only temporarily (and mainly in its poetic language (?)) affected by it.

Whatever the correct interpretation of the 'western' SVO (or VSO) may be, the argument that PIE had SVO and that Sanskrit SOV must result from the influence of a post-PIE substratum cannot be considered established.

4.2.5: Notice in this respect that until very late Epic and Classical times, Sanskrit still shows evidence for (marked) VSO order (as in asid raja there (once) was a king') beside unmarked SOV. There is, to be sure, some evidence for an increase in SOV, or rather XV, over XVY in the prose of the Brahmanas. However, this development may well be part of the more general, native trend towards simplifying and 'streamlining' the language by eliminating alternative structures (cf. Hock & Pandharipande To Appear: \$2.6.2).

As Gonda (1952) showed, even as late as the Kavya literature and the Viṣṣu-Purana, XVY still is found as a common pattern.

It is only in the modern Indo-Aryan languages that VSO is eliminated and that XVY is considerably reduced in its occurrence. This may well be due to areal influence, but proves nothing for the early period. Masica's tentative argument (1974) that modern Kashmiri SVO may be an archaism, however, must be considered doubtful. The fact that in relative clauses SOV is the normal order shows that this 'marked' order is more archaic than SVO. Moreover, the evidence in Grierson 1919 suggests that outlying dialects like Kiṣṭawārī have SOV order, a fact which would seem to corroborate the view that the central Kashmiri SVO is an innovation.

- 4.3: Retroflexion: It is generally conceded that 'regular', non-sporadic retroflexion may, at least in part, be due to internal developments based on Indo-Iranian antecedents; cf. the references apud Kuiper 1967b. The first to have tried to demonstrate this possibility seems to have been Bühler 1864.
- 4.3.1: The most up-to-date and to my mind most acceptable formulation of this view is found in Burrow 1955:90-5. Burrow's arguments can be summarized as follows.

Dialectal PIE had a change by which s (z) became s (z) if preceded by RUKI (hence \* $\frac{nizdo}{}$  > \* $\frac{nizdo}{}$  'nest'; \* $\frac{dwis-to}{}$  > \* $\frac{dwis-to}{}$  'hated'). In Indo-Iranian, this  $\frac{s}{2}$  merged with a  $\frac{s}{2}$  developed from PIE palatals before obstruents (and after certain obstruents); cf. \*wik-to- > Av. vis-ta- 'entered', \*pku-ment- > Av. fsu-mant- 'rich in cattle'. However, sk resulted in in \*sś, whence \*śś by assimilation (> Av. s as in \*gwm-ske-ti > ja-sa-iti 'goes!'). In Indo-Aryan s/z acquired retroflex articulation, and neighboring dentals became retroflex by assimilation, as in \*dvis-to-, \*wis-to- > Skt. dviṣṭa-, viṣṭa-. Sibilant sequences, of the type ss (< ss), ss, ss, were subject to dissimilation, yielding ts, cs, ts. (Due to a very early, PIE simplification, ss and ss may also appear as s and s in archaisms; and in the locative plural of nouns, they may appear as unmodified ss and ss, or hs, hs, as the result of a later generalization of external sandhi.) In addition, z became d before bh, as in \*wik-bhis > \*wiz-bhis > vidbhis 'by the clans', and was lost before voiced apicals. Finally, to became t by final cluster simplification, but ks elsewhere, while cs was realized as (c)ch. These developments, at least some of them, yielded retroflex consonants which were unpredictable in terms of their phonetic environment. Thus \*nizdo-> \*niždo- > \*nižda- > nīda- 'nest'; \*wik-s > \*wis-s (cf. Av. viš with sibilant degemination) > \*viţş > \*viţş > viţ (sg. N) 'clan' (vs. \*wid-s > vit 'knowledge'); but \*wik-su > \*wiš-su > \*wiš-su > \*viţşu > \*viţşu > viţşu. Similarly \*dwis-s 'enemy' becomes dvit via dwiss and pl. L \*dwis-su yields dvikşu via dwišsu. (The later pl. L viţsu, dviţsu owes its existence to generalization of the pattern established by sg. N vit, dvit, pl. I vid-bhis, dvid-bhis.)

4.3.2: To my knowledge, only Kuiper (1967b) attempted to show that this type of regular, internal explanation of retroflexion is unacceptable. However, Kuiper's attempted refutation is seriously flawed both by not considering Burrow 1955 (but only two more recent, less explicit and general papers: Burrow 1959a,b), and by his misreading of the arguments traditionally used.

Thus he inexplicably argues that the postulated change of PIE palatals to Sanskrit retroflexes would wrongly predict PIE \*Kmtom to yield Skt. tsatam\* (rather than attested <u>satam</u> '100'), ignoring the fact that this development—however formulated—was always considered to have been conditioned, and not universal. Similarly, he attributes to Burrow a claim he never made, namely that 'both Skt. ks and Av. <u>s</u> derive from \*ts.'

On the more positive side, Kuiper argues that PIE palatal stop + s yielded 's in Iranian and ks in Indo-Aryan... There is no reason therefore [to doubt] that ... viksu represent[s] the normal development of PIE ks in Indo-Aryan ... no matter how [the] prestage of Indo-Aryan ks and Iranian s is exactly reconstructed.' The 'anomalous' t of sg. N vit (for expected -k from -ks) is in his view due to morphological reanalysis: PIE \*speks should have yielded spak\*; but because of the oblique stem spas-, a new synchronic base form /spas-s/ is created. Since /s/ merges with s before apical stops, it is synchronically changed to s also before the apical -s of the nominative singular ending. In this fashion, stems in s and in s become more similar to each other. The further development of -s-s to -t results from the following process. The 'conscious will of the speakers to counteract the normal phonetic tendency of their language [to degeminate] and the effort to over-emphasize the s of the [following] morpheme ... led to a realization of the second s as the affricate [ts] , to mark off the beginning of the morpheme boundary ... 'Thus, spas-s, dvis-s become spas-ts, dvis-ts, whence spas-ts, dvis-ts by assimilation. These forms result in spats, dvits (with a cluster simplification recurring in \*vrskta- > vrkta- 'cut') and, with final cluster simplification, spat, dvit. (In roots in -s, this development is limited to monosyllabic stems; hence havis-su appears as havissu/ havihsu.) On the other hand, the analogy of stems in final palatal sibilant (like spas-) could lead to the appearance of forms in -ks- in stems in final -s (such as dvek-sya-ti 'will hate' from dvis-). That the ks (rather than ts) of the latter stems is an innovation is evident from the fact that ks from ss is rare in the Rig-Veda and never found in the locative plural.

4.3.3: Even Kuiper's positive arguments cannot be considered acceptable.

First of all, his consideration of Rig-Vedic attestations is incomplete. While it is true that we find no Rig-Vedic attestations of a locative plural in -kṣ- from roots in -ṣ, we also find none in the -ṭsu predicted by Kuiper. (As a matter of fact, while -kṣ-forms may be rare even elsewhere, there is not even a single Rig-Vedic medial -ṭs-form from a root in -ṣ.) On the other hand, stems in ś or other palatals furnish evidence not only for -ksu (cf. vikṣu (passim), srākṣu 5:53:4), but also indirectly for -ṭsu (cf. anadutsu 3:53:18 which seems to be from anad-uṭ-su by dissimilation). It is true, the latter form occurs in a late hymn, while the two former are attest-

ed from the earliest period. The type in  $-\underline{tsu}$  thus probably is an innovation. But as long as we do not have any direct attestations of a locative plural from  $\underline{s}$ -roots, it is hazardous to argue that the latter furnished the model for the former.

In word-final position, the earliest Rig-Vedic attestation of a root in  $-\S$  shows k (sg. 2 pinak 6:17:10). This is the only form from  $\S$ -roots in a hymn of the archaic period. During the same archaic period, roots in palatal have final t in seven roots  $(a\acute{s}-, r\bar{a}j-$  'king',  $r\bar{a}j-$  'shine', vah-, §at  $^*$ -seks '6', sah-, spaś-) and only two in k (naś- 'destroy', drś-). The first  $\bar{g}$ -form in t (-dvit) appears in a relatively late hymn (6:47:16), at a time when the palatal roots have considerably increased their k-forms (with nine instances of k-forms vs. 11 of t-forms, not counting recurrences of the same form, vs. 2: 8 in the archaic period). This pattern hardly supports the view that k is more archaic in the roots in palatal than in those in  $\S$ , or the view that t is originally at home only in the s-roots. (If anything, it might suggest the opposite. But the way of caution would seem to lie in not overestimating the significance of these statistics.)

Moreover, the question arises as to how one should account for the fact that forms like PIE \*teks-ti yield Skt.  $\underline{tasti}$  and not the  $\underline{takti}$ \* expected if Kuiper were correct in claiming that PIE \* $\underline{ks}$  yields Skt.  $\underline{ks}$ . (For the development of  $\underline{kst}$  to Skt.  $\underline{kt}$ , cf. PIIr. \* $\underline{abhaksta}$  'chose for himself', Av.  $\underline{abaxsta}$  vs. Skt.  $\underline{abhakta}$ .)

Finally, Kuiper's claimed development of  $\underline{s-s}$  (and similarly of  $\underline{s-s}$ ) to  $\underline{s-ts}$  (and  $\underline{s-ts}$ ) seems to lack any known precedent.

4.3.4: These difficulties are removed if we accept Burrow's analysis with only some minor modifications and additional motivations.

The type viksu does in fact seem to be more archaic than the type vitsu, not only in palatal roots, but also in s-roots. The innovated type in  $-\underline{tsu}$  is to be accounted for as an extension of the external sandhi pattern accounting for sg. N vit, pl. I vid-bhis. For these developments, and for what I believe to be the correct explanation of the  $\underline{bh}$ -case forms (as well as of the  $\underline{bh}$ -case and locative plural forms of  $\underline{is}$ - and  $\underline{us}$ -stems), cf. Hock 1974.

As for  $\underline{\text{vit}}$ ,  $-\underline{\text{dvit}}$  vs.  $-\underline{\text{nak}}$ ,  $\underline{\text{pinak}}$ , the forms with  $\underline{t}$  seem to be more original; the  $\underline{\text{k}}$ -forms can be explained as owing their existence to dissimilatory developments; cf. e.g. Meillet 1905/06.

Forms like <u>taşti</u> find their natural explanation in a Burrovian derivation of the sort \*Ks > PIIr. \*Ss > \*SS. While \*SS > \*SS. usually yields \*ts (> ks or t), in the environment between obstruents the medial sibilant was lost (as in \*abhaksta > abhakta)--apparently early enough to 'bleed' the dissimilation of \$S\$ to \$ts\$. The fact that reconstructed \$S\$ and \$S\$ were regularly dissimilated to \*ts, \*cs\*, while \$S\$ was only sporadically dissimilated to ts, can be accounted for as due to the absence of a contrast \$f\$ or \$f\$ coefore \$S\$ and \$S\$, but the existence of a contrast \$f\$ before \$S\$; cf. Hock 1975, with many precedents for the postulated dissimilatory process.

Finally, even the fact that PIIr.  $\underline{\underline{s}}$  yielded retroflex  $\underline{\underline{s}}$  in Indo-Aryan, but not in (most of) Iranian, can be accounted for: The Iranian outcome of the unchanged PIE palatal  $\underline{*\underline{\kappa}}$  was  $\underline{\underline{s}}$  (or  $\underline{\underline{\theta}}$ ); as a consequence,  $\underline{\underline{s}}$  could be ar-

ticulated as a palatal. In Indo-Aryan, however, \*£ yielded  $\underline{\underline{s}}$ , a palatal sibilant. If IIr.  $\underline{\underline{s}}$  was to remain distinct from this palatal  $\underline{\underline{s}}$ , this could be achieved quite naturally by articulating  $\underline{\underline{s}}$  not as a palatal, but as a retroflex. That shibilants can be articulated both as palatals and as retroflexes is well known. The case of German is especially illustrative on this point: [ $\underline{\underline{s}}$ ] has 'palatal', blade articulation (with lip-rounding) in some idiolects, while others have 'apical', retroflex articulation (cf. e.g. Martens & Martens 1965:117).18a Both articulations, however, are distinct from the pure palatal articulation of [ $\underline{c}$ ]. Even without such a palatal/nonpalatal contrast, shibilants can vary between 'palatal' and retroflex articulation; cf. Heffner 1964:156 for English.

- 4.3.5: As for "sporadic" retroflexion, there is ample evidence to show that it can be accounted for in purely internal Indo-Aryan terms; cf. the discussion and literature in Hock & Pandharipande To Appear: §2.2. 19
- 4.3.6: Moreover, it is by no means certain that retroflexion is an "un-Indo-European" phenomenon. Rather, it can be shown that retroflexion is not only a wide-spread, but also a natural, phonetically well-motivated phenomenon, found, at least dialectally, in the <u>majority</u> of the subbranches of Indo-European.

Already Bühler (1864) had referred to dialectal English retroflexion, of the type found in card [ka:d] (cf. also, more recently, Wakelin 1972:99). Konow (1903:455) compared the similar retroflexion of dentals after (lost) r found in Norwegian and Swedish dialects. As Steblin-Kamenskij (1965) showed, in the more archaic area of this dialect group we find a triple contrast, between retroflex (from 1 + dental), alveolar (from r + dental), and unmodified dental. Similar developments of r + dental to retroflex are found in Faroese (Lockwood 1955:20-1), in Icelandic ('dental' vs. 'alveolar', an incipient contrast; cf. Kress 1937:86, fn. 1, and 125-6), in Irish and Scots Gaelic dialects (Borgstrøm 1940:169-72, 1941:44-5, 101-2, Oftedal 1956:126-7, Wagner 1958:maps 128, 200, 255), and in Italian dialects (Rohlfs 1949:302, 320, 433). Cf. also tr, dr > [c,j] in true, drew (vs. [c,j] in chew, Jew) in many American English dialects, as well as the change of r to a retroflex glide in American English and in some British English dialects. Outside of Europe, one may compare the fact that initial tr yielded & (presumably via \$) not only in some of the East Iranian dialects (cf. Morgenstierne 1958:159, Henning 1958:109), where South Asian areal influence might perhaps be assumed, but also in the NW Central Persian dialect of Sangisari (cf. Morgenstierne 1958: 159, 173). Notice also the change of sr to š in Khwarezmian (Henning 1958: 115).

Another source for retroflexion is geminate  $\underline{11}$  (as well as, perhaps,  $\underline{nn}$  in Breton); cf. Rohlfs 1949:387-90 (Italian dialects), 1970:152-4 (idem, plus Gascon, Asturian Spanish), Jackson 1967:passim (Breton dialects (?)). Considering that palatal  $[\lambda]$  and  $[\tilde{n}]$  are more regular outcomes of  $\underline{11}$  and  $\underline{nn}$  (as in Spanish), it is perhaps not unjustified to connect these instances of retroflexion with other cases where retroflexion seems to be related to palatal(ization). In addition to the evidence for 'palatal'  $\underline{\underline{s}}$  beside retroflex  $\underline{\underline{s}}$ 

cited in section 4.3.4 above, note also the change of palatal  $\underline{\underline{s}}$  to retroflex  $\underline{\underline{s}}$  in SW Portuguese (Hammarström 1953:173-4) and the palatalization of [x] to  $\underline{\underline{s}}$  in Cypriot Greek (Newton 1972:22-3 with 26). Compare in this respect that also in Tocharian, retroflex segments result from palatalization, as in  $\underline{s} > \underline{s}$  (vs.  $\underline{k}$  or  $\underline{ts} > \underline{\underline{s}}$ ); cf. Krause & Thomas 1960:61, 63.

Quite different is the development found in certain Texan dialects of American English reported to me by Huntsman, where the dental fricatives [0] and [ $\delta$ ] have become dental stops [t] and [d], while alveolar  $\underline{t}$  and  $\underline{d}$  are realized as retroflex [t] and [d]. However, the <u>principle</u> is similar to that invoked for Germ. [ $\xi$ ] (or [ $\xi$ <sup>W</sup>]) vs. [ $\xi$ ], (pre-)Indo-Aryan [ $\xi$ ] vs. [ $\xi$ ], namely the principle of <u>polarization</u> (or maximalization of phonetic contrast). And it seems to be this <u>principle</u> which is responsible also for the fact that, after the loss of the conditioning <u>alveolar r</u>, the assimilated alveolar  $\underline{t}$  (<[ $\underline{t}$ ]) becomes <u>retroflex</u>, thus becoming maximally distinct from unchanged dental [ $\underline{t}$ ].

4.3.7: As indicated earlier, Bhat (1973), referring only to the Norwegian/Swedish, English, Faroese, and Celtic phenomena, tried to account for these instances of retroflexion as due to Uralic substratum influence.

However, as indicated in 3.6 above, the question of Proto-Uralic retroflexes is still a matter of controversy (as Bhat himself realized). Note also that there seems to be no evidence for retroflexion in either Finnic or Lapp. And to my knowledge, there is no evidence even weakly suggesting a Uralic triple contrast between dental, retroflex, and alveolar, comparable to that developed in Norwegian/Swedish, the dialects most proximate to any of the attested Uralic languages. In addition, it is not at all certain that a Uralic substratum ever existed in any of the non-Scandinavian areas, especially in the more southern areas of Cyprus, Southern Italy, Gascony, and Spain. 20

Moreover, Bhat's argument that retroflexion must somehow be special because it introduces a new feature can hardly be considered convincing. For in many languages, palatalization likewise introduces a new feature. Should therefore also this (very common) phenomenon be claimed to be either inherited or due to substratum influence? (Note that, as in the case of retroflexion, the actual <u>palatal</u> articulation of palatalized segments is no doubt the result of polarization: [ky]: [k] > [č]: [k].)

Finally, Ehat's general conclusion that retroflexion is either inherited or substratum-induced must be viewed with some suspicion. For if carried to its logical conclusion, this claim seems to entail the assumption of a polygenesis of language, such that some languages, from the very beginning, had the feature of retroflexion, while others did not. Clearly, in light of our

present ignorance concerning the question of a single or multiple genesis of language, such an assumption would seem premature (as well as not open to falsification and thus scientifically dubious).

4.4: <u>api</u>: Contrary to Emeneau's assumption, at least four of the five uses of <u>api</u> can be motivated in terms of intra-Sanskrit parallels and in terms of Indo-Iranian antecedents and/or general Indo-European parallels. Even use (4), which has the least amount of such antecedents and parallels, may well be an internal development.

In the uses (1) 'also', (2) 'and', (3) concessive 'even', and (5) indefinitizing '-soever', api parallels (some of) the uses of the native, inherited IE particle ca "and". To these uses should be added at least one further parallel, namely the use of both api and ca as an emphasizing particle (henceforth: use (6)). Use (6) can be viewed as an intermediate step in the semantic development from (1)/(2) to (3). (For the meanings and uses of ca and api, cf. s.vv. in Böhtlingk & Roth 1855 and 1858.) Moreover, it can hardly be due to accident that in all of these uses, except apparently in use (5), api may occur in combination with ca (as capi, api ca, ca...api); cf. Böhtlingk & Roth 1855:s.v.api. It is thus quite possible that in these uses, api developed parallel to, and on the model of, the inherited particle ca.

Three of these uses, namely (1), (2), and (6), are found--attached to the same particle \*api--also in another early Indo-Iranian language, Avestan (cf. Bartholomae 1904:s.v.aipi). Of these, at least (1) and/or (2) is found already in Gātha-Avestan; cf. Reichelt 1909:357 (with example on p. 358). Moreover, also Armenian offers a cognate, ew (likewise from PIE \*epi), in the meaning 'and'; cf. Ernout & Meillet 1951:s.v.et, Schwyzer 1949:465. Finally, note that Greek offers the expression epi de 'and in addition'; cf. Schwyzer 1949:465. It is thus likely that uses (1) and (2) go back not only to Indo-Iranian times, but perhaps to dialectal Proto-Indo-European times, extending at that time through those dialects which share also another innovation, namely the use of the augment e-.

Moreover, the development of the original locatival adverbial particle \*epi into a conjunction-like particle has parallels in other Indo-European languages. Ernout & Meillet (1951:sv.et) compare this development with that of the original locatival adverbial particle \*eti, where Indo-Iranian offers (\*)ati 'beyond', Gothic retains this use of the particle in idweit 'reproach', while Greek has éti 'in addition', Latin et "and", Gaulish eti-c 'and', Gothic ip 'but; if'. To this might be added old Irish ocu(i)s 'and' beside ocus, acus 'near' (Thurneysen 1961:549); Engl. too 'also' beside to; Slav. da 'so, and, but; that', related to E to(o) (with the semantic development 'in addition'  $\rightarrow$  'additionally, and'  $\rightarrow$  subordinating conjunction; cf. Pokorny 1959:182).

More importantly, also the uses (3), (5), and (6), though not directly attested for PIE \*epi outside of Sanskrit and Indo-Iranian, find ready parallels in the words for 'and'/'also' of other Indo-European languages, suggesting that uses (3), (5), and (6) are natural developments for particles meaning 'and' or 'also' (i.e. both for Skt. ca and for Skt. api). For uses (6)

and (3) compare Lat. et "and", etiam "also" in etsī, etiamsī 'even if'; Gk. kaì "and" in ei kaì, kaì ei 'even if', as well as kaì as emphasizer in expressions like kaì māla 'very much indeed'; Germ. auch "also" in wenn auch 'even if' and as an emphasizer in expressions like Auch er kam 'even he came'; Lith. if "and" in kad ir 'even if', cf. Latv. ir 'even' (emphasizing) (Senn 1966:300-4, Fränkel 1962:s.v.ař). For usage (5) compare the use of PIE \*kwe "and" as an indefinitizer in many of the Indo-European languages, not only Sanskrit, but also Iranian (Bartholomae 1904:s.v.ca), Lat. quisque 'who(so)ever' (etc.), Goth. hwazuh (id.) (etc.). Compare further, with different particles, Hitt. kuis(s)-a 'every, who(so)ever' (with -a "and"; Friedrich 1960:70); Lith. bèt 'but' (originally betai 'and (that)') in bet kas 'who-(so)ever' (etc.) (Fränkel 1962:s.v.bèt, Senn 1966:202-3, 300-4); Germ. auch "also" in wer auch (irmer) 'who(so)ever' (etc.).

Also the use of <u>api</u> as a question particle, a use which Emeneau could not connect with Dravidian, has Indo-European parallels. Compare first of all Gk. <u>kai</u>, Lat. <u>et</u> at the beginning of questions to indicate surprise, objection, etc. This may perhaps have been the starting point for interrogative <u>api</u>. However, there is perhaps another possible development, parallel to that of Baltic <u>ir/ar/er</u> into OLith. <u>er</u>, Lith <u>ar</u> 'or'/question particle, beside Latv. <u>ar(f)</u> 'also', Lith. <u>ir</u> 'and, also', OPru. <u>ir</u> 'also', Latv. <u>ir</u> 'even' (cf. Fränkel 1962:s.v. <u>ar</u>). Here the semantic development may perhaps have been from coordinating 'and' to coordinating 'or!  $\rightarrow$  'whether (... or)'  $\rightarrow$  question particle. (For Sanskrit, note that at least <u>ca</u> can have the meaning 'or'; Böhtlingk & Roth 1858:s.v.)

The use of Skt. api which has the least amount of solid intra-Sanskrit or Indo-European parallels is use (4), the 'completive' use after numerals and quantifiers. However, notice first of all that also the inherited particle ca "and" can occasionally be used in this function; cf. Speyer 1896:71 (with fn. 1). Note especially that the example cited by Speyer is from the Satapatha-Brahmana and thus seems to predate the similar attestations of api. Compare further Gk. kai polús 'much, many (altogether, indeed)', kai pénte periploménous eniautous (I1.23:833) 'full five ...'; Lat. plerique 'many'; Germ. Alle, aber auch alle kamen 'all (everyone of them) came'. To be sure, in all of these cases we are probably merely dealing with occasional extended uses of emphasizing "also", and not, as in later Sanskrit api, with a standardized, 'totalizing' usage. However, there seems to be no reason against deriving this later 'totalizing' use from such occasional uses of an earlier emphasizing usage (cf. above all the use of ca in the Satapatha-Brahmana), rather than following Emeneau in assuming that the 'totalizing' connotations of 'and/also' were the source.

It is thus at least possible that the late use of (4) may have developed internally, from other uses which have clear Indo-Iranian and/or Indo-European antecedents or precedents. Moreover, all the uses of the early language, including that as a question particle, have solid Indo-Iranian and/or Indo-European antecedents or precedents. At least for these uses, it is thus unnecessary and unmotivated to assume non-Indo-European origin.

- 4.5: Absolutives: As a morphosyntactic category, the Sanskrit absolutives are not at all without Indo-European parallels. Their (only post-Rig-Vedic) use in 'chains' of absolutive clauses, followed by a single clause with finite verb, to be sure, is specifically Sanskrit. However, within Sanskrit, this use can be viewed as part of a general development from finite-verb to non-finite-verb and nominal syntax which seems to be a native, literary development.
- 4.5.: As indicated in fn. 13 above, absolutives are found also in East Iranian dialects. 21 More important, however, is their occurrence in other IE languages where they cannot be considered part of the South Asian areal phenomena. Thus, Armenian offers a construction of preposition plus infinitive which is used absolutively; cf. Jensen 1959:184. Greek has deverbal adverbials in -don, -da, -den 'zur Bezeichnung einer Nebenhandlung' (Schwyzer 1939: 626-7). Schwyzer (ibid.) compares their usage to that of the Latin type in -tim and of the Skt. absolutives in -am, equating the -on of Gk. -don with the Skt. -am, as well as with the Oscan-Umbrian infinitive marker -um. He further compares (1949:410-1) Homeric expressions like aghki-molon 'coming near', whose -on is even more closely relatable to Skt. -am, Osc.-Umbr. -um. In addition, Greek developed an 'absolutive infinitive'; cf. Schwyzer 1949: 378-9. Finally, Bader has argued that Greek also had absolutives in -ti, morphologically related to verbal abstract nouns (1970).

As is well known, also Latin has an absolutive ('gerund'), viz. the ablative of the verbal noun/adjective in -ndo-. Strunk has recently argued that this formation in -ndo- is in origin 'ein nach Art altindogermanischer Sprachen in Kasusformen auftretender "Infinitiv" (1974:285). In the modern Romance languages, this absolutive has taken over many of the functions of the Latin (present) participle.

Also Tocharian offers an absolutive, made from a verbal noun in -or-plus the ablative suffix; cf. Krause & Thomas 1960:185-6. Notice further the English absolutive construction in -ing (as in <u>His parents having returned, he began to smile</u>) which is built on a form which in origin is a verbal noun (even if today it may also function as a participle). Also the Celtic constructions of the verbal noun with prepositions, which have completely replaced the present participle (cf. e.g. Pedersen 1913:417), may be compared.

While the absolutives discussed so far are all based on verbal nouns, they do show affinities with the participle (especially in Romance, Celtic, and English—an areal feature?). It is therefore not surprising that in some of the Indo-European languages, frozen case forms of the participle(s) may function as absolutives. Cf. Entwistle & Morison 1949:207 and passim (for Slavic), Senn 1966:181,473-5 (for Lithuanian), and Schwyzer 1949:410-1 (for Modern Greek).

There is thus ample evidence for absolutives in the other IE languages, as well as for their close morphological relationship to verbal nouns and adjectives (participles). While some of these can be explained as the result of later developments (cf. especially the Greek 'absolute infinitive'

and the participle-derived absolutives of Slavic, Baltic, and Modern Greek), many of the forms found in the earliest attestations (e.g. Gk. -(d)on, -tí, Lat. -ndo-) are from the synchronic point of view morphologically quite isolated and have all the appearances of being archaisms. Moreover, in the case of Gk. -on, Skt: -am (also found in infinitives), Osc.-Umbr. -um, there is a phonological agreement in markers which makes reconstruction for the proto-language at least possible. Under these circumstances one may well wonder whether, as a morphosyntactic category, the absolutive many not date back to Proto-Indo-Eureopean times, perhaps as an ancient areal feature which, like SOV, linked the proto-language with the 'Indo-Altaic' sprachbund. (For absolutives in Uralic, Altaic, Tibetan, cf. 3.6 above. Note that already Jacobi (1897:99,101) argued for IE origin of the Sanskrit absolutive in -am. However, his arguments in favor of that view are not entirely convincing.)

4.5.2: As has already been seen, the Sanskrit absolutive in -am is relatable to verbal nouns in \*-om. Similarly, the absolutive in  $-tv\bar{a}$  (and its variants  $-tv\bar{t}$  and  $-tv\bar{a}ya$ ) can ultimately be traced back to (instrumental) case forms of verbal nouns in -tu-. (Cf. e.g. Renou 1930:391, fn. 1, for both of these connections.) As for the suffix  $-y\bar{a}$  (henceforth written -ya), Edgerton (155:64) plausibly argued that in light of the predominant long  $-\bar{a}$  found in Vedic, also this suffix must be considered instrumental in origin. The existence of Avestan infinitives in (instrumental)  $-y\bar{a}$  (cf. Reichelt 1909:200) makes it likely that also this suffix is of verbal-noun origin.

As for the usage of these forms, -am occurs already in the Rig-Veda, although often difficult to distinguish from the infinitive in -am (cf. Renou 1930). Also the absolutive in -ya is found thirteen times in the earliest hymns, and ca. 100 times in the whole of the Rig-Veda (Renou 1940). Only the forms in -tvi and -tva(ya) are, according to Renou (1940), limited to the late or middle portions of the Rig-Veda. In light of the preceding discussion, however, one may wonder whether we are here dealing with a significant or accidental gap in the attestations. Morphologically, -tva (etc.) is, from the synchronic point of view, just as isolated as (-am,) -ya and the Greek and Latin absolutive forms. All of these forms have the appearance of inherited archaisms, rather than recent innovations.

On the other hand, the specific syntactic uses of the Sanskrit absolutives do show certain innovatory developments. As Renou (1940) observed, the typical value of the Rig-Vedic absolutives is one of accompanying circumstances. The antecedent (and subordinating) value of the absolutives in twa (etc.) and ya is, in the Rig-Veda, rare and limited to late portions. This value appears above all in the descriptions and commentaries of the ritual found in the later Vedic prose, where this value helps to clearly establish the sequence of ritual actions (cf. also Renou 1956a:46). It is also at this point in the history of Sanskrit that the later pattern of 'chains' of absolutive clauses (followed by a single clause with finite verb) seems to emerge for the first time. In earlier texts, such 'chains' do not seem to be found.

Though the development of an antecedent value for an original 'concomitant' absolutive is an innovation, this development, and the  $\underline{\text{primacy}}$  of the concomitant value is wholly Indo-European in nature. In most of the IE languages, the concomitant value seems to be the more basic or original one (or

even the only one found), while-as in Sanskrit-the antecedent value is secondary. Cf. concomitant Lat. <a href="habendo">habendo</a> 'having' = Fr. <a href="hayant">ayant</a> vs. French-only <a href="hayant eu">ayant eu</a> 'having had' (with <a href="hayant">ayant</a> in the latter construction formally present-tense, i.e. concomitant); similarly E <a href="mailto:going">going</a>: <a href="having gone">having gone</a>. Cf. also <a href="Mod. Gk">Mod. Gk</a>. <a href="haliantas">klaiontas</a> '(a-)crying' vs. dialectally restricted, analogical <a href="hausantas">husontas</a> 'having loosed' (cf. Schwyzer 1949:637).

As for the increasingly subordinating and 'chain' usage of the absolutives in -tva (etc.) and -ya, Renou observed (1956a:55-8) that it coincides with, and is part and parcel of, the general development away from (finite) verbal style and toward (non-finite) nominal style. As shown earlier, however, this development is not likely to have been brought about by (Dravidian) substratum influence.

It is thus by no means certain that even this specific antecedent, subordinating, 'chain' aspect of the Sanskrit absolutive is to be attributed to a (Dravidian) substratum. And there is no motivation (or evidence) whatsoeever for attributing the early, Rig-Vedic (use of the) absolutive to such a substratum.

- 4.6: Quotative iti: Quotative markers (rather than subordinating, indirect-discourse markers) may not be very common in the other IE languages. However, some parallels can be found.
  - 4.6.1: Markers of this sort seem to be of three kinds:
- (a) 'THAT' (also used subordinatingly): Morphologically, this marker may be derived from a deictive or relative pronoun stem (as in E that vs. Fr. que). This marker is found e.g. in later post-Homeric Greek, Sanskrit, Avestan, Romance, and Lithuanian (cf. Schwyzer 1949:638, fn.2). It is found also in Armenian  $\underline{zi}$  = prep.  $\underline{z}$  + rel. pron.  $\underline{i}$  (Jensen 1959:207-8, Meillet 1936: 139).
- (b) 'THUS' (also subordinating): Derived from deictive or relative pronoun stems, this marker is found e.g. in Greek (cf. Hom. hos éphato 'thus he spoke'), Armenian ((e)t'e; cf. Jensen 1959:207-8, Meillet 1936:139), Iranian (Av. uiti), as well as in Old Norse (svá, occasionally prefixed to direct discourse). Note that Sanskrit iti morphologically and semantically belongs to this well-established Indo-European category.
- (c) A 'frozen' form of the verb SAY, as in Hitt. -wa(r)-, suffixed after the first constituent of a direct discourse (DD) and relatable to wer'speak'; cf. Friedrich 1960:149-50, Kronasser 1962:70. Note also Arm. bam and other frozen forms of SAY; cf. Jensen 1959:188, 207. Compare additionally Lat. inquam, inquit which may be infixed after the first or second constituent of DD, but which do retain their syntactic reference (to first or third singular speakers). Compare also the common use of 'pleonastic', often standardized participial (or participle-like) forms of SAY which may accompany DD and its governing SAY in many languages, including horald languages (Kieckers 1915). Note that the Dravidian and Munda (Austro Actatic) quotatives belong to this category.

As for categories (a) and (b), the two may well be considered related under the assumption that at a deep level of syntax, DD is embedded in the following fashion. (Notice that the order of constituents is irrelevant at this point.)

SAY + Th + Wh + BE + DD

On the surface, this configuration may be realized by 'lexicalizing'  $\underline{\text{Th}}$  and  $\underline{\text{Wh}}$  either as manner adverbs (hence 'THUS') or as a neutral pronominal form (hence 'THAT'). In addition, by some kind of  $\underline{\text{wh-is}}$  deletion, either  $\underline{\text{Th}}$  + BE or  $\underline{\text{Wh}}$  + BE may be zeroed out (hence e.g. deictive  $\underline{\text{iti}}$  vs. rel.  $\underline{\text{hos}}$ ). (An alternative consists of deleting both  $\underline{\text{Th}}$  and  $\underline{\text{Wh}}$ , as well as BE, leaving no surface marker.)

4.6.2: There are thus ample morphological precedents, as well as a (putative) general syntactic motivation, for the quotative use of Skt. <u>iti</u> 'thus'. At the same time, note that the type of quotative used by Sanskrit differs strikingly from that used by Dravidian and Munda.

However, Kuiper (1967a:91-4) was not so much concerned with possible general antecedents and syntactic motivations for the use of <u>iti</u>, but with the specific, surface-syntactic behavior of the particle. As Kuiper pointed out, this behavior differs from that of its Iranian counterpart, Av. <u>uiti</u>, in two ways: (a) In Avestan, <u>uiti</u> + SAY never occurs after DD; it can occur only preceding DD or 'inserted' into it. On the other hand, as early as Rig-Vedic times, <u>iti</u> + SAY can occur after DD. (b) While Av. <u>uiti</u> must always be a surface clause-mate of SAY, <u>iti</u> need not be. According to Kuiper's count, there are already in the Rig-Veda, eleven instances of SAY + DD + <u>iti</u> and twelve instances of DD + <u>iti</u> without SAY, indicating that <u>iti</u> has begun to become an independent, postpositive quotative particle. And it is this use of <u>iti</u> which in Kuiper's view must be attributed to Dravidian influence.

- 4.6.3: Kuiper's hypothesis contains two claims, one being that the post-positive use of <u>iti</u> + SAY is non-Indo-European, the other, that the unaccompanied postpositive, 'quotative' use of iti is non-Indo-European.
- 4.6.4: The former of these two claims can be more easily shown to be based on insufficient or inconclusive evidence.

While it is certainly true that Iranian (i.e. Avestan) only has prepositive or inserted SAY + <u>uiti</u>, it seems equally true that Iranian has only prepositive or inserted unaccompanied SAY. It is, however, questionable whether

in either of these two respects, Iranian should be considered to preserve an archaic pattern which excludes postpositive SAY (+ uiti).

Kieckers (1915) gives ample evidence from many of the Indo-European languages both for prepositive and inserted SAY and for postpositive SAY. Moreover, the specific pattern (SAY) + DD + THUS + SAY is found in Homeric Greek. where it serves as a formula usually employed to indicate the end of a particular DD or of an exchange of DD's (such as a dialogue); cf. ... kraton d' epì muthon ételle + DD + hós éphat' (I1.1:25-33) 'he laid upon him a stern command: "DD", thus he spoke ... ' Considering that poetic formulae frequently preserve highly archaic structures, there is a good chance that this pattern is an archaism. Also elsewhere, there is evidence for considering postpositive SAY archaic. In many of the languages where it occurs, its use is much less free (i.e. much more formulaic) than the use of preposed or inserted SAY. Thus in the Old Icelandic Egilssaga, only segja occurs postpositively (and only after short DD), while segja, maela, spyrja, svara, kveša may occur preposed, and segja, kveôa inserted. Similarly, in Plato's Apologia of Sokrates, DD + SAY is the least common pattern, occurring just once (in Panú ge, ē d'hós '"Certainly," he said').

In light of the earlier discussion showing that verb-final SOV is an archaic Indo-European construction, but that verb-medial XVY may be found as a result of the fact that nondirect objects and the like can follow the verb, it is possible to argue that 'verb-medial' inserted SAY (i.e. DD + SAY + DD ctd.) should not be considered an independent, third variant, but rather as a derived variant of 'verb-final' postposed SAY (i.e. DD + SAY). In both verbmedial patterns (i.e. in XVY and DD + SAY + DD), it can then be argued that the surface order is the result of some movement process (henceforth: 'partial extraposition') by which all or part of certain constituents can be moved to the right of the verb, as long as what precedes the verb after partial extraposition contains at least a part of the 'object constituent' (= direct object or DD). That this analysis may be on the right track is shown by the fact that, like actual verb-final DD + SAY, verb-medial DD + SAY + DD tends to have an archaic appearance. Thus, in Old Icelandic inserted SAY permits of only two verbs (segja and kveba), while preposed SAY is not limited in this fashion. Similarly, in the Platonic text examined, only en and phemi may occur in inserted position. Further, the use of inserted SAY (with or without uiti) is much less common in Avestan than that of preposed (uiti +) SAY: Finally, note that the 'frozen', archaic Hittite quotative -wa(r)-, as well as Lat. inquam, inquit are limited to medial position.

It is thus possible to argue that even Iranian preserves examples of a more 'underlyingly' (i.e. pre-partial extraposition) postposed (uiti +)

SAY. Moreover, it is possible to argue that postpositive (THUS +) SAY is a feature of Proto-Indo-European. Considering that it survived (in limited, often specialized fashion) even in the more western languages, it should come as no surprise that it survived (somewhat more vigorously) also in the 'eastern' Sanskrit.

4.6.5: At the same time, however, there is ample evidence to show that, by (complete) extraposition, already PIE had acquired a preposed construction SAY (+ THUS) + DD. This is, especially in the 'western' languages, the type of construction which is most productive. However, also in the 'eastern' languages it is quite common. The reason for this is not difficult to find: Especially in the case of lengthy DD's, postpositive (THUS +) SAY would be considerably more awkward and taxing on the memory (especially that of the listener). (Note in this respect that otherwise overwhelmingly-SOV modern Indo-Aryan languages like Hindi, as well as literary (and colloquial) Persian, regularly have complete extraposition of  $\underline{ki}$  (vel sim.) + DD.)

As a result of this complete extraposition, two major, competing patterns arose, one with preposed SAY, the other with postposed (or inserted) SAY. Such a situation often leads to specializations, and such a specialization is probably found in Homeric Greek, where postposed SAY, combined with hos 'thus', has a resumptive, discourse- or dialogue-concluding function, while preposed SAY (without hos) does not.

As it turns out, a similar pattern emerges for complete, 'normal' DD in Rig-Vedic Sanskrit. Of the verbal roots  $\underline{br\bar{u}}$ -,  $\underline{\bar{a}h}$ -,  $\underline{vac}$ -,  $\underline{vad}$ - (all meaning 'say, speak, etc.'), and  $\underline{prch}$ - 'ask', 20 preposed occurrences are found without accompanying iti (vs. 5 or 6 with iti); on the other hand, 17 post-posed occurrences are found with iti (vs. 3 without). (That is, the two patterns are more or less complementary.) In addition, there are two occurrences of 'inserted' SAY + iti and three without, as well as one instance of SAY + DD + iti + DD. (Here, the number of attestations is too small to suggest a definite pattern.) Finally, there are three (or four) examples of SAY + DD + iti.

It is possible to account for this situation by assuming that, as in Greek, THUS + SAY had a tendency to be specialized to postpositive position, while simple SAY tended to be preposed. However, unlike in Greek, this tendency was not carried to its logical conclusion, but—as often happens in 'analogical' generalizations—was counteracted by a tendency toward compromise, a 'blending' of the two competing patterns, resulting in preposed SAY, followed by DD, followed by postposed  $\underline{iti}$ . (Similarly, the common Homeric formula SAY + DD +  $\underline{hos}$  + SAY may be looked upon as a kind of compromise(-cum specialization).) This explanation of the Rig-Vedic facts would seem to better account for the pattern found in the Rig-Veda than Kuiper's hypothesis (which took into consideration only the occurrences of (SAY +)  $\underline{iti}$ ): Simple SAY is heavily favored in preposed position,  $\underline{iti}$  + SAY in postposed position, while SAY + DD +  $\underline{iti}$  still occurs only quite  $\underline{rarely}$ .

This latter, compromise type of construction, however, may then have provided the nucleus for the reinterpretation of iti as a postposed quotative marker (no matter what the position of SAY). Whether this happened already in Rig-Vedic is difficult to decide merely on the basis of the evidence provided by the extant texts. The prevalence of the other two patterns, however, leads one to suspect that at this point the type SAY + DD + iti was still nothing but a compromise, rather than being felt as exemplifying an 'independent' quotative marker. At any rate, the fact that there are, according to my count, six instances of DD + iti without an overt occurrence of SAY is not necessarily evidence for iti as a quotative marker: 22 In three of these oc-

currences, SAY is clearly 'recoverable' or 'implied' (cf. 1:109:3 with SAY implied by nādh- 'flehen'; 10:115:9 with vac- 'say' in the preceding clause; 10:119:1 with man- 'think' in the preceding clause). And in three further instances (9:6:2, 10:71:1, 10:130:1) we are dealing with the common type of DD with omitted SAY exemplified by Germ. Und da kam er angerannt: 'Mutti, Mutti, ich habe gewonnen'.' 'And he came running (with the words) "Mummie, Mummie, I won."' (Cf. Kieckers 1916:41-51 for similar examples of deleted SAY in Indo-European and other languages.) We may thus assume that in these cases, deletion operated on postposed SAY, leaving the accompanying iti stranded. (Cf. similarly, in indirect discourse, expressions like Germ. Dass er das gesagt hat! '(I can hardly believe) that he said that', with omitted 'believe' (vel sim.) and with the accompanying particle dass left stranded.) That Rig-Vedic had such a process of SAY-deletion is shown by the fact that there are also instances of DD without SAY and without iti (e.g. 7:99:3, 10:18:9, 10:23:2, 10:34:3), where SAY-deletion apparently applied to preposed (simple) SAY.23

4.6.6: While this alternative explanation of the Rig-Vedic occurrences of (SAY +) DD + <u>iti</u>-and of the, perhaps only post-Rig-Vedic, reinterpretation of the 'stranded' <u>iti</u> as a quotative marker-may not be as well supported by outside IE parallels as the postpositive occurrence of <u>iti</u> + SAY, it does not seem to be an unreasonable explanation. Moreover, there evidently <u>is</u> outside IE evidence for reinterpretations resulting in quotative markers, albeit not involving <u>Th</u> or <u>Wh</u>, but rather fossilized forms of SAY (cf. Hittite and Armenian). It is therefore by no means certain that the Sanskrit reinterpretation of <u>iti</u> as a quotative marker can be explained only by considering it substratum-induced.

In light of this possible alternative explanation, it must therefore be concluded that even for the second claim of Kuiper's hypothesis, (Dravidian) substratum influence cannot be considered established beyond a reasonable doubt.

4.7: Caste terminology and usage: While there can be no doubt that the elaborate caste system of later Indo-Aryan is an Indian innovation, it must be borne in mind that (a) as Emeneau himself admitted, the caste system and the corresponding special terminology and usage is not pan- or Proto-Dravidian, and that (b) while as Emeneau claims, there may have been pre-caste tribal Dravidian antecedents for these features, there are likewise pre-Indian Indo-European antecedents. The social stratification of Indo-European society into three layers--priests, warriors, and commoners--may have considerably differed in detail from the later Indo-Aryan caste system; but

after Dumézil's (1958) meticulous and extensive documentation, its existence in Proto-Indo-European times, as well as the association of special colors with these three layers, to the point that 'color' (Skt. varna-, Av. pištra-) could in Indo-Iranian come to mean 'social class', can no longer be doubted.

Moreover, the practice of referring to married women by means of 'femininized' forms of their husbands' name or profession likewise has Indo-European antecedents and/or parallels. Cf. the archaic sets Lat. rex : regina, OIr. rí : rígain, Skt. rāt (or rājan-) : rājñī; Gk. pósis : pótnia, Skt. pati- : patnī-, Lith. viešpat(i)s : OLith. wieschpatni. In both of these sets, the feminine term may refer not just to a 'female ruler', but also-and in many societies perhaps more often -- to the wife of the ruler. Cf. also Hom. Gk. basíleia, usually 'wife of a basileús "king" (but ánassa, fem. of ánax 'king', means 'royal woman'). Compare also Germ. Bauer 'farmer' : Bäuerin, Bäcker 'baker' : Bäckerin (etc.), Doktor : Frau Doktor (etc.), Up. Frank. Kuno (proper name) : Kunera, where in traditional society, the feminine term usually refers to the wife of the person referred to by the masculine term. Finally, compare in the Rig-Veda agni- : agnāyī- 'Agni's wife', varuna- : varunanī- 'V's wife', etc., as well as nr- 'man' : narī- 'wife' = Av. nar- 'man, warrior' : nairī- 'woman, wife, married woman' (cf. nairivant- 'having a wife'; the derivational vrddhi of the feminine term clearly shows that this form is a feminine of appurtenance, defining the wife as belonging to the man).

In light of these Indo-European antecedents and/or parallels and of the uncertain evidence for pan- or Proto-Dravidian origin of the feature in question, it would seem well-advised to be cautious about attributing this feature to Dravidian influence.

## 5: CONCLUSIONS

5.1: The discussion in the two preceding sections has, I hope, shown that the hypothesis of Dravidian substratum influence on Sanskrit, especially on early Rig-Vedic, cannot be considered established beyond a reasonable doubt. The features of nominal style, participles as finite verbs, and distributive use of amredita-compounds apparently are not considered probative any longer even by the advocates of the Dravidian substratum hypothesis-justifiably so, as the discussion in 4.1 has shown.

For the features of <u>retroflexion</u>, <u>SOV</u>, <u>absolutives</u>, and <u>quotative</u>, non-Dravidian alternative outside sources are (more or less) possible, with the latter three features so wide-spread in languages like Uralic (SOV, absolutives), Altaic (id.), Tibeto-Burman (absolutives, quotative), and Austro-Asiatic including Munda (quotative) that it would be extremely arbitrary to

single out Dravidian as the only possible source; cf. 3.6. Moreover, there is now some reason to doubt the claim that retroflexion is inherited in Dravidian and an innovation only in Indo-Aryan: The possibility (approaching probability) of Dravidian relationship to Uralic and Elamite suggests that retroflexion is an innovation of (Proto-)Dravidian; cf. 3.7.

On the other hand, there are solid Indo-European antecedents and/or parallels for the features of <u>SOV</u> (4.2), <u>retroflexion</u> (4.3), as well as for the (Rig-)Vedic uses of <u>api</u> (4.4) and of the <u>absolutives</u> (4.5), and probably also of the Rig-Vedic use (of not yet <u>quotative</u>) <u>iti</u> (4.6). (SOV and the absolutives may, however, be the result of areal influence on Proto-Indo-European; cf. 4.2.4 and 4.5.1.) There is thus no conclusive evidence for Dravidian influence on <u>Rig-Vedic</u>.

The case for post-(Rig-)Vedic Dravidian influence on Sanskrit is a little better. The special post-(Rig-)Vedic uses of api (2.2.5) and the absolutives (4.5.2), as well as the probably post-Rig-Vedic (4.6.5) development of iti into a genuine quotative marker might be considered evidence for Dravidian influence at that time, especially considering that all the uses of api are reconstructable for PDr. \*-um (2.2.5) and that the features of absolutives and quotative are found in Uralic and Elamite respectively (3.6), making it possible that these features are even pre-Dravidian in origin. One might even be tempted to add the equally late feature of the special caste terminology and usage which however is not pan- or Proto-Dravidian (2.2.6, 4.7). However, even for these features it is possible to argue for native Indo-Aryan developments with at least some Indo-European antecedents and/or parallels (4.4; 4.6.6; 4.7) or, in the case of the absolutives, as part of a general, literary development away from verbal syntax and toward nominal syntax (4.5.2).

Perhaps the most important argument against a Dravidian origin of the features in question, especially in Rig-Vedic times, is the fact that there is not only no conclusive, independent evidence for early Dravidian/Indo-Aryan contact, but that on the contrary there is independent evidence for early contact between Indo-Aryan and another non-IE language (which is generally considered not to be a likely source for these features), namely Munda; cf. 3.1-3. This casts considerable doubt on the common assumption of early Dravidian/Indo-Aryan contact and the convergence it is generally as-

sumed to have entailed. (Even for later Sanskrit, contact--and thus possible convergence--with Dravidian may perhaps have been regionally limited; cf. 2.6 and 3.1.)

Finally, it is by no means certain whether Proto-Dravidian did in fact, as is generally assumed (at least implicitly), antedate the arrival of the Indo-Aryans cf. 3.4.

5.2: While it thus <u>unlikely</u> that there was early convergence of Indo-Aryan with Dravidian, this should not be understood to imply that there is <u>proof</u> against such a convergence. I am not sure whether and how such a proof could be established—a common problem in arguing against substratum hypotheses. At the same time, however, the conclusions reached in this paper should encourage a search for <u>alternative</u> explanations.

Thus, the fact that many of the features investigated are found not only in the relatively 'central' Sanskrit (or Indo-Aryan), as well as in the Munda and Dravidian languages to the south, but also in some of the Tibeto-Burman languages to the north and east, in Burushaski to the north, and in the Eastern Iranian dialects to the northwest, combined with the sociolinguistically preeminent position traditionally enjoyed by Sanskrit in this area, may suggest that perhaps it was the geographically and sociolinguistically central Sanskrit which furnished the starting point, and the impetus, for the spread of many, if not most, of these features. There is, in fact, growing evidence for Sanskrit influence on the vocabulary of Dravidian; cf. Emeneau & Burrow 1962, Burrow & Emeneau 1968:167. However, considerably more work will have to be done in this area before even half-way acceptable conclusions can be reached.

5.3: In the meantime, there is at least some reason to be cautious also in respect to this alternative view. For as noted in 3.8 above, the distributional patterns of Dravidian and (Old) Indo-Aryan retroflexion are quite different, and this discrepancy does not seem to be well accounted for by a theory postulating convergence—in either direction. It may therefore well be that retroflexion is native both to Dravidian and to Indo-Aryan; and this should perhaps no longer come as a surprise, considering how common and phonetically well-motivated this feature is; cf. 4.3.6.

It is interesting to note that the modern geographical distribution of retroflex segments in the South Asian sprachbund may well be interpreted to support this view: As map 3 (p. 555) of Ramanujan & Masica 1969 shows, the extreme northwest (including Pashto, Burushaski, and Shina) is the only area with distinctively retroflex sibilants (and, except for Pashto, with distinctively retroflex assibilated stops). At the same time, the extreme south (including Tamil and Malayalam) is the only area with retroflex continuant r. In addition, the 'richest' retroflex systems are located, again, in the extreme northwest and in the extreme south. Considering that retroflex south was the starting point for (Old) Indo-Aryan retroflexion and that the extreme northwest was the most original South-Asian home of (Rig-Vedic) Sans-

krit, while r is the most distinctively 'Dravidian' retroflex segment and the south may have been the most original home of the Dravidians in South Asia (cf. 3.2), it might be argued that these extreme northwestern and southern homelands have most faithfully preserved the original, native patterns of retroflexion, while the vast intermediate territory constitutes the main area of convergence, where the 'peculiarities' of the two different systems were 'leveled out' (but where the two general patterns spread, presumably in large measure at the expense of the very different pattern of Munda).

It would be interesting to see to what degree this pattern agrees with the distributional patterns of the other features investigated in this paper, as well as with (linguistic and nonlinguistic) historical and prehistoric evidence.

5.4: In the absence of such further investigations, however, it seems preferable to admit that the evidence now available is insufficient either to establish beyond a reasonable doubt that the South Asian convergence began as early as (Rig-Vedic) Sanskrit times or to decide whether the convergence began unidirectionally (with only Indo-Aryan influenced by Dravidian) or if, from its inception, it followed the mutual-influence pattern generally observed in present-day India.

### FOOTNOTES

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<sup>2</sup>However, on p. 175 he cited Middle Indo-Aryan as a possible source for some of the unexpected Sanskrit retroflex consonants.

3Assuming that Bhili (or Nahali), found in relic areas of the northwest part of the Central Mountains, which unlike Dravidian or Munda has initial retroflex stops, is a language isolate, Wüst (1957) tried to account for (post-RV) words with initial retroflex stops, such as <a href="https://pens.ps...phakkura-">https://pens.ps...phakkura-</a>, as borrowings from Bhili. However, his etymologies (cf. Skt. <a href="https://pens.ps...phakkura-"taivinity">https://pens.ps...phakkura-"taivinity</a>, numen' = differently nativized <a href="maintaivinity-sakvara-"bull">sakvara-"bull"</a>) are far from convincing. Moreover, the exact linguistic affiliation or non-affiliation of Nahali is still a matter of controversy; cf. Zide 1969:427-8, Kuiper 1972:292-3.

 $^4$ Konow (1903:456) also considered the generally observed increase of 1-forms (at the expense of forms with  $\underline{r}$ ) to be induced by the Dravidian substratum. However, in this view he seems to have remained alone. In addition, this phenomenon seems to be more plausibly attributed to dialect mixture in Indo-Aryan; cf. Hock & Pandharipande To Appear: §3.1.2.

5Emeneau (1954:291-2), to be sure, questioned the validity of many proposed etymologies, since the evidence for Munda origin often did not come directly from Munda, but from (other) Austro-Asiatic languages. In Emeneau's view, the relationship between Munda and Austro-Asiatic had not been established. However, Pinnow's work (cf. e.g. 1959 and 1960) should have laid to rest Emeneau's reservation.

6Recent discussions, however, seem to follow Kuiper 1967a in considering all retroflexion due to convergence.

7Erlier publications frequently add <u>uloká</u>- 'world' (RV passim). However, since Leumann's convincing demonstration that this word must be the dissimilated outcome of <u>uru-</u> or <u>ulu-loká</u>- (containing <u>uru-</u> 'broad, wide'), it must be omitted from the list of possible Dravidian borrowings.

80n this matter, cf. Hock & Pandharipande To Appear: §3.1.2-3.

<sup>9</sup>Note that, directly or indirectly, the nasal-prefix form of the Munda word for 'plough' found its way also into some Dravidian languages; cf. Tam.  $\underline{\text{Ma-}\tilde{n}\text{-}\text{-}\text{cil}}$ , Kann.  $\underline{\text{n}\tilde{e}\text{-}\text{-}\text{gal}}$ .

9aAs for late Vedic and Classical ghota(-ka)- 'horse', first appearing in the southern Apastamba Śrautasūtra--an alleged Dravidianism which remained in Modern Indo-Aryan (cf. Hindi ghorā)--, Bloch (1929:736) wondered how a "Dravidian" borrowing can have a voiced aspirate. Moreover, he pointed out, 'Horse-breeding is certainly not a peculiarity of the Deccan.' On the other hand, there is a word htr 'team, horse' in Egyptian, where the art of horse breeding was known. Also Turkish and Modern Greek have possible cognates. There is thus ample reason to doubt a Dravidian, or even an Indian, origin for this word.

10 Emeneau (ibid.70, fn. 10), while preferring to consider Brahui an isolated relic area, does admit the possibilty that further work may show the language to have migrated from a more southerly position.

llPizzagalli's (1929:165-7) argument for Munda origin of this feature, though based on a correct interpretation of the linguistic-geographical evidence, can therefore not be accepted.

12Cf. for instance the mistakes made by many English speakers learning a South Asian language.— The phenomenon under discussion should not be confused with the difficulties which arise in the nativization of, say, English words into Hindi, where the usual substitution for the English alveolar stops is that of Hindi retroflex stops, but where as a result of the incommensurate nature of the two obstruent systems, there may be an occasional vacillation in favor of Hindi dentals (cf. <a href="motor car">motor car</a> etc. vs. <a href="motor botal">botal</a> 'bottle'): Unlike English, which has alveolars (i.e. neither pure dentals nor retroflexes), Indo-Aryan had dental (or <a href="motor dantamula">dantamula</a>— 'tooth-root'-articulated) stops.

13For examples of retroflexion in East Iranian dialects, cf. Konow 1932: 8-11,34, and passim, 1949:14,18,25; Morgenstierne 1958:159. For absolutives, cf. Konow 1932:59, Bailey 1958:147,149.

 $1^{4}$ McAlpin (1975:114) is sceptical about the cogency of Tyler's claims. However, referring to later literature which is not available to me, he states that there now is, also to his mind, evidence for the Uralo-Dravidian connection.

 $^{15}$ Krishnamurti, to be sure, has proposed to consider what in Dravidian linguistics normally is written  $\underline{r}$  to be an original  $\underline{z}$ . However, as he himself admitted (1969:318, fn.18), there is no strong empirical evidence in favor of this proposal.

16Another difficulty with the usual explanation of the Sanskrit retroflex/dental contrast is that Dravidian has a retroflex/alveolar/dental contrast. Why, one may wonder, did Sanskrit in that case not adopt the entire triple contrast, rather than limit itself to the retroflex/dental subset?

18It should be noted that Friedrich (In Press) does make occasional references to PIE VSO as the 'angel's case'.

18aI happen to be a native speaker of a clearly retroflex idiolect.

19In addition, note Thieme 1942:192-3 and Wackernagel 1942:161 for explanations of some of the instances of "spontaneous" retroflexion.

20This is not to say that the 'Romance' retroflexion has not been attributed to substratum influence, in the belief that it is "un-Indo-European". However, already Millardet (1933) recognized that no known language could be identified as identical or related to that substratum. His conclusion that nevertheless there was an (unknown) substratum, s 'substratum X', is interesting only to the extent that it shows the extremes to which substratist "explanations" can go. Contrast this with Rohlfs's (1970) sober conclusion that there is no evidence, or need, for a substratum.

21Also Avestan has been believed to have absolutives (in -am, -tim); cf. e.g. Reichelt 1909:335-7. However, Benveniste (1930) has expressed considerable doubts concerning the absolutive interpretation of these forms.

22Two further apparent instances of DD + <u>iti</u> (without SAY), namely RV 1:191:1 and 5:52:11 are to my mind too uncertain or unusual to be included as evidence. In 1:191:1, <u>iti</u> follows after each of two apparently conjoined words (<u>dvāv iti plūsī iti</u>). A quotative <u>iti</u> should follow the entire DD. Are we here dealing with deictic <u>iti</u>, used as an emphasizer (i.e. 'two (sic) plusis (sic)')? As for 5:52:11, Geldner (1951:ad loc.) states that 'Manches ist dunkel' in this verse.

23There are finally, for the verbs examined, also three instances of 'mixed' syntax, with Acc. + DD (+  $\underline{iti}$ ) + SAY (etc.) instead of Acc. + Acc. (+  $\underline{iti}$ ) + SAY (as if, in English, one were to say They call him 'Thief' instead of They call him a thief). In these mixed constructions, we find one occurrence each of Acc. + "DD" +  $\underline{iti}$  + SAY (8:92:2), Acc. + SAY + "DD" +  $\underline{iti}$  (9:114:1), and "DD" +  $\underline{iti}$  + SAY + Acc. (5:61:8; passive, hence Acc.  $\rightarrow$  Nom.). In addition, there are four other 'mixed' constructions in which Acc. + SAY is followed by a more genuine DD (as if E They say him 'He is a thief'),

namely Acc. + SAY + DD (4:38:9c,d), Acc. + SAY + "DD" + DD + iti (1:164:15a,b), Acc. + SAY + DD + iti (2:12:5a,b (2x)). These 'mixed' types are too sparsely attested to suggest a definite pattern and explanation. However, it may be argued that the occurrence of iti with all three instances of "DD" results from the fact that the non-occurrence of iti would lead to opaque surface constructions of the type Acc. + Nom. + SAY which would be apparent counterexamples to the rule(s) producing normal Acc. + Acc. + SAY.

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### SEMANTIC FEATURES INDUCING THE GERMANIC DENTAL PRETERIT STEM

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1. The bifurcation of the Germanic verb into—strong and weak classes has convinced most Germanic linguists since Grimm over a century and a half ago—that the peculiar characteristic of the Germanic verb system is precisely preterits by ablaut as opposed to preterits by dental suffix. Accordingly, the subsequent literature is replete with, on the one hand, studies seeking the phonological provenience of the dental in the weak preterit and, on the other hand, theories explaining the ablaut alternation in the strong classes IV through VII, which, like the dental preterit, are judged by some scholars to be a Germanic innovation. Thus, we may presently follow the ongoing discussion between Hammerich (1964) and Bech (1972) on the phonological-morphological origin of the dental preterit. In the case of the strong verb we may look e.g. to the recent statement by Barnes and Esau (1973:8) that the ablaut pattern 'became phonologically determined in Germanic.'

With those currently studying the Germanic verb who extrapolate beyond the phonological-morphological problems into the area of cause, we find Grimm's structuralism well attested. For example, Hiersche (1968:403) speaks of a hole in the system caused by the original perfects becoming presents in the case of the group of preterits known as the preterit-present verbs. 2 On rare occasion, however, we do find in the literature arguments considering the Germanic verb teleologically. Not surprisingly we can expect such an approach from Kurylowicz who, in fact, writes (1964:126-7): 'The real problem is not the origin of the dental suffix but the functional (semantic) difference between the Germanic strong preterit, going back to an IE perfect, and the dental pret., whatever its origin.' There is no doubt that the semantic question is the ultimate, but we must temper it by the realization that meaning and form are after all commensurate, and we cannot divorce the latter from the former. Accordingly, the primary purpose of this paper is to isolate and identify semantic features underlying the Germanic dental preterit, which hitherto have been given, if any, unsystematic and vague representation in the literature. Secondly, we will introduce a principle in word formation as the semantic transformation inducing the dental preterit.  $^{3}$ 

In an article 'The Germanic dental preterit, language origin and linguistic attitude' (Rauch 1972b) we support the IE-tV- nominal suffix derivation of the dental for the weak preterits, which was formulated by Begemann in 1873 and extended by Brugmann in 1914. Support of the voiceless dental rests primarily on semantic-syntactic grounds and not at all on the fact that the phonological IE \*t is conveniently simple. That is, derivation of the dental preterit from \*t evokes but one phonological anomaly, namely, the set of five (OE haefde 'had', OE hogde 'thought', OS libda 'lived', OS sagda 'said', OHG dolta 'suffered') West Germanic, possibly also North Germanic preterits with labial or velar plus voiced dental. If this is not a dialect problem, in which case the anomaly may not rest just as well with most Old High German and the Gothic reflexes, a general Indo-European rule may apply. In that case the inverse of (Meillet) -Lehmann's (1941:42) morphological principle, which constrains ablaut to roots without stem-forming suffixes, would show these anomalies to have an underlying vocalic stem suffix, provided extension of the root by stem vowel predates that by dental.

Rather than the phonology of the dental suffix<sup>5</sup>, the phonology of the root of the preterit verb is of interest, but as a semantic sign. Zero or 5 grade ablaut with secondary accent is characteristic of the root of most weak verbs as well as of the preterit-present verbs. This is not the case, however with the remaining two sets, W. Gmc. \*aō- 'do, cause' and Gmc.\*wel-'will, have the intention', which represent a heavy base and e- grade ablaut, respectively. We shall see, nevertheless, that these differences are not irreconcilable and accordingly the four sets are dominated by a uniform preterit. In fact, some of the features of the weak verbs are, from this viewpoint, residual in a few strong verb sets; once again we experience, gratifyingly so, a synchronic linguistic bifurcation which is not at all clean-cut.

For instance, it is noteworthy that the verba pura, with supposed genetic class VII reduplication, intersect with the weak verbs, especially in North-West Germanic. Thus  $\operatorname{IE} \frac{*}{\operatorname{bh} \widetilde{o} w}$ - 'dwell' appears in Old High German

with a preterit in dental, <u>būta</u> (1.3. sg. indic.), and in <u>-r-</u>, <u>biruum</u> (3. pl. indic.)<sup>6</sup> together with a reconstructed past participle in <u>-n</u>, <u>gibūan</u>. The Old Norse paradigm is strong, e.g. <u>bió</u> (1.3. sg. pret. indic.) with a reconstructed weak present <u>bauaib</u> (Jasanoff 1973:866 fn. 16), while Go. <u>bauan</u> has all weak paradigms but for the 3. sg. pres. indic. <u>bauib</u>, (cf. further Rauch 1972b:222-3). This is different from the alternation of etymologically related forms which have been cleanly restructured in the grammar, as e.g. Go. <u>satjan</u> 'set' beside Go. <u>sitan</u> 'sit'. On the surface the Germanic reflexes of IE <u>bhow</u> have an analogue rather in the generalization process which children use in acquiring past tense forms for Modern English, e.g., where so-called regular and irregular forms co-exist (Cazden 1973:238). No inference is thereby made about distinctions which existed in the genetic prehistory of the Germanic reflexes of IE <u>bhow</u>.

We suggest that the historical heteroclitic, i.e. many stemmed, verb forms had become frozen before the paradigm restructuring which resulted in the strong and weak division. This is in accord with our reconstruction (1972b:224) of the Pre-Germanic verb paradigmatics as a system of few finite forms together with allied nominal forms. In effect, the strong and weak roots shared the possibility of the same suffixes as well as of the same ablauts. We refer to Kurylovicz's (1964:126) statement: 'The historical system of Goth. <a href="mailto:bar; gabairan">bar; gabairan</a>: gabar is responsible for the DISAPPEARANCE [emphasis mine] of the dental preterit in <a href="mailto:strong">strong</a> verbs.' With regard to the ablaut we might ask why the weak verbs did not make use of the strong vowel alternations as found in classes VI and VII in particular, which are, for the most part, compatible with their root ablaut. In fact, the defective ablaut of the preterit-present verbs is considered to be residual.

3. Accordingly, it must be conceded that the origin of the dental preterit is not phonologically based. That it is somehow motivated through restructuring of the Indo-European aspect system is the general direction toward which non-phonological hypotheses tend. <sup>10</sup> In Kurylovicz's (above) theory, the dental suffixed to an ablauting root replaced the Indo-European imperfect, so that \*burpo(n) opposed \*bar by the distinction 'simultaneity' versus 'anteriority'. Through a new aspect opposition, \*ga-bar came into

contrast with \*bar, the first 'perfective', the second now 'imperfective' and no longer distinct from \*burbo(n) but merging semantically with it in allo-relationship (1964:126-7). If we categorize the semantic opposition transitive: intransitive as belonging to the general category aspect, as Brugmann would allow (1916:69), the theory of Watkins (1962:40) is like-wise built on aspectual development. Based on the fact that intransitivity and passivity are equivalent, Watkins points out that the \*-to- participial suffix when joined to a transitive root yields a passive stem, but is neutralized when joined to an intransitive root. The latter is the case of \*-to- joined to the preterit-present verbs and to the class one weak verbs with root final consonant, for which Watkins (44) claims 'an intransitive sense prevails'.

The immediate question is why the \*-to- participial suffix and not the \*-no- participial suffix is the effective suffix, if both possibilities existed in the Pre-Germanic verb paradigm. Watkins (1962:42) writes: 'The significant fact is that in...Germanic the distribution of the aorist/preterit forms in \*-t- follows exactly the distribution of the participle in \*-to-; where the participle is in \*(e/o)no-, there is no aorist or preterite in -t-.' We must realize that this is a statement of the results of, not of the reason for the bifurcation. In fact, Brugmann (1906:651) assigns \*-to- and \*-no- the same meaning when he writes that they '...besagten, dass etwas von einem Vorgang betroffen und durch ihn in einen gewissen Zustand geraten ist.'

To unite all verbs with a preterit by dental through the IE -to- suffix requires the mechanism of massive analogy, if the preterit-presents and the root consonant-final j-stems, under 25 in number, 'represent the original channel' and were 'imitated' by the weak verbs as Watkins holds(1962:44-5). It is possible that the preterit-presents had a high functional yield, and even if they did not, which Watkins seems to imply (45), he does not explain what cause the weak verbs would have for imitating them and the handful of j-stems. In short, this is an analogy begging for justification. It is questionable whether it would be fruitful to pursue this analogy directly with the few rules for the operation of analogy that we have at our disposal. It seems to me, rather, that we should take a closer look at the stems of the weak verbs as well as at the dental suffix itself. Morever, the analogy route

would eventually lead to this same close look.

4. As was pointed out in sect. 2, most weak verbs and the preterit-present verbs (cf. sect. 1 and fn. 2 above) can be equated on phonological grounds. The Germanic root \*wel- and the West Germanic root \*do- complete the inventory of groups with a preterit by dental. Historical grammars divide the weak verbs into four classes according to the stem suffixes Gmc. \*ja/ji/i. o, ai, and no. However, to a considerable extent this traditional classification is semantically arbitrary. For example, within Gothic we find Cl. 1 huggrjan 'to hunger' denominative to Go. huhrus 'hunger' beside Cl. 2 gredon 'to hunger, be greedy' denominative to gredus 'hunger'. Across dialects varied class marking occurs, thus the verb meaning 'to stone' belongs to Cl. 2 in Old High German, steinon, but to Cl. 1 in Gothic, stainjan. And again within Gothic, the verb 'to hear' is heteroclitic, thus hausjan (Cl. 1) and hausjon (cl. 2). Accordingly, the stem extension of a weak verb yields no absolute information as to its origin, nor does the reverse hold, i.e., the supposed semantic origin does not automatically relate to a certain stem suffix. Moreover, we reiterate that some of the features of weak verbs, e.g. root extension by nasal, are shared by strong verbs (cf. sect. 2 above). However, for the purpose of extracting semantic features of the weak verbs we may accept the traditional stem classification as a point of departure: 11

C1.1 weak = [denominative, causative, iterative, intensive,...]

For example: [denominative]: Go. timrjan
'to build'to OHG zimbir 'wood'; [causative]:
Go. satjan 'to set' to Go. sitan 'to sit';
[iterative, intensive]: Go. goljan 'to greet'.

For example: [denominative]: OHG fiscon 'to fish' to OHG fisc 'fish'; [instrumental implications]: OHG spornon 'to hit with the feet' or OHG roton to play with a fiddle'; [causative]: OHG nammon 'to name'; [deverbative,

intensive]: OHG sprangen 'to bubble, boil' to OHG springan 'to spring, jump'; [intensive, iterative]: Go. wlaiton 'to look round about'.

Cl.3 weak = [deverbative, intransitive, stative, medial,

denominative, inchoative,...]

For example: [deverbative]: OHG <u>weren</u> 'to last, continue' to OHG <u>wesan</u> 'to be'; [intransitive, stative, medial]: ON <u>pegja</u> 'to be silent'; [denominative, inchoative]: OHG <u>ful</u> fotten'.

Cl. 4 weak = [deverbative, denominative, intransitive, medial,
 inchoative, passive,...]

For example: [deverbative, passive]: Go. usbruknan 'to be broken' to Go. brikan 'to break'; [intransitive, medial]: Go. andbundan 'to loosen oneself;' [denominative, inchoative]: Go. swinbnan 'to become strong' to Go. swinbs 'strong'.

Pret.-pres. = [medial, passive, stative, intensive, iterative,

intransitive, completive,...]

For example: [medial, passive]: OE sceal 'I (have determined for myself, taken upon myself; it is appointed to me) should'; [stative, intensive, iterative]: Go. man 'I think (and continue to have in mind)'; [intransitive]: OS dog 'it is useful'; [completive]: ON veit 'I (have seen and) know'.

Gmc. \*wel- = [medial, auxiliary,...]

For example: OS of thu uuilt hnigan to mi 'if you have the intention to bow to me' (Heliand).

WCmc.  $*d\bar{o}$  = [medial, causative, auxiliary,...]

For example: [causative, auxiliary]: OE lifian ic do 'I cause to live' (Regius Psalter); [medial,

auxiliary]: MHG daz si uns <u>tuon</u> bewarn 'that they (semantically empty <u>tuon</u>) protect us' Walther von der Vogelweide).

The semantic features of the "-to- suffix alone do not appear sufficient to correlate with many found in the weak stems. In the literature on the dental preterit, the IE "-ta- suffix (Prokosch 1939:197) and the IE "-ti-suffix (Collitz 1912:103-4) have been brought into configuration with "-to-. Bech (1963:3-4, 35) employs all three suffixes for the dental preterit, but on the basis of adjective and noun congeners to the weak verbs formed with these suffixes. The three suffixes show the following semantic features:

- IE \*-to- = [nominalization, medial, stative, completive,...]
   For example: IE kluto-s 'heard, famous' ON
   flod 'flood'.
- IE \*-ta- = [nominalization, iterative, intensive, stative,...]

  For example: [nominalization, stative]: Go.
  jūnda 'youth'; [iterative, intensive] Lat.
  jactare 'to throw frequently'.
- IE  $*-\underline{ti}-=$  [nominalization, stative, completive,...]

For example: IL \*datis 'gift', OS thurft 'need'.

There is no doubt that [medial] is the semantic feature minimal to each set. In Cl.1 weak [causative] relates semantically to the [medial]; in Cl.2 weak [instrumental, causative]; Cl.3 weak [intransitive, stative, medial]; Cl.4 weak [intransitive, passive]; in the Pret-pres. [medial, passive, stative, intransitive]; Gmc. \*wel- [medial]; WGmc. \*do- [medial, causative], and in the suffixes [stative] (cf. Rauch forthcoming).

Many roots of the dental preterits intersect. Cl.3 weak in particular has cognate forms with the Pret.-press. verbs (Rauch 1972b:223); further Cl.1 and Cl.4, e.g. Go. háiljan 'heal': gaháilnan 'be healed', Cl.3 and Cl.4, e.g. Go. weihan 'make holy': weihnan 'become holy', Cl.1 and Gmc. \*wel-, Go. waljan 'choose': wiljan 'will, have the intention', and Cl.2 and Pret.-press. Go. gaweisōn 'to visit': witan 'know'. 12 These verbs differ by suffix, the last two sets by ablaut, and the last set by suffix also.

In the preterit they are one set by virtue of the dental, which must be compatible with some common feature or set of features in the stems with which it unites.

In close relationship are the features [nominal], [stative] and [completive]. The four classes of weak verbs all contain noun cognates. Arguments have been made for underlying nominalization in some weak verbs, e.g. Eng. drench which Hirt (1932:173), referring to Grassman, considers to be derived from a string like 'ich gehe (mit den Tieren) zum Trinken, zur Tranke.' Gmc. \*wel- and WGmc. \*do- function as auxiliaries in nominalizations. The preterit-present verbs have genetically underlying the Indo-European perfect, itself denominative in origin and closely allied to the Indo-European middle (Kurylowicz 1964:61-3, Watkins 1969:105-6, Jasanoff 1973:863). Semantically the preterit-presents signal a state resulting from completed action, i.e. an action in the past, whence the feature [completive]. According to Hirt (1928:chap. 14) the feature [intensive] is also integral to the history of the Indo-European perfect. However, most striking for our data is the generalization in the Indo-European perfect which relates the semantic features [stative, completive, medial]. The three dental suffixes unite in one set through, at the least, [nominal] and [(medial)-stative] features; here we exploit the generalization that in Germanic the nominally derived adjective and noun tend to be stative in meaning (cf. Rauch 1972b:223). The semantic feature paths of the verb stems and of the dental suffixes not only cross but merge in those features categorial to the genus verb viz. voice, aspect, and tense semantic features. We may sketch the intersection of the features by circles rather than a tree relationship, somewhat like the following (Fig. 1):

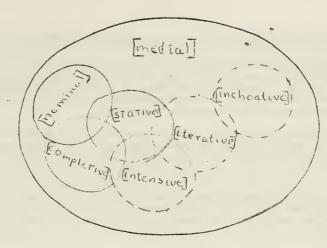


Figure 1

5. In 'The Germanic dental preterit,...' (1972) we traced the nominal generation of the Germanic preterit in dental. In the present paper we have isolated semantic features in the components of the compound preterit formation. Specifically, we distinguish the primary features blending the two components to be the semantic features [medial, nominal, stative, completive]; [medial] is the most natural feature. The compound which is the dental preterit is accordingly induced by a word formation transformation which conjoins components that are semantically redundant with respect to each other in categorial features leading to grammaticalization. Shared aspect, tense, and voice semantic features characteristic of the verb underlie the two components of the compound which is incorporated into the grammatical paradigm of the verb as the preterit stem. 13

### FOOTNOTES

Grimm's classification (Deutsche Grammatik, 1819:558) was actually in reaction to the synchronic description of some grammars of his time which considered the dental preterit as the unmarked type (Prokosch 1939:160).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Cf. Grimm (1822:851) '...zehn verba mangeln gänzlich der præssentialflexion, verleihen aber der starken, ablautenden form ihres præst. bedeutung des præsens und bilden dann für die bedeutung des præst. eins nach schwacher form.'

<sup>3</sup>The present paper is the further development of Rauch 1972a.

Begemann-Brugmann consider the dental preterit as derived essentially from preterit participles in IE \*-to- which relate to present stems in IE \*-to- and in turn to adjectives and nouns in IE \*-tV-. The participle functioned as a finite verb or in paraphrasis according to well-attested Indo-European habits (cf. Rauch 1972b, pp. 225-6).

The principal opposition theory to the voiceless dental, the theory of Grimm and others, is that the dental preterit is to be generated from a periphrastic base, most popularly containing the Indo-European root \*dhē- 'set'. While, on the whole, neither the \*t or \*dh theories are simple, i.e. they involve a principally phonological-morphological configuration, the more recent composition theories (e.g. Wagner 1960, Sehrt 1961, Watkins 1962, Meid 1971) appear to differ from those of the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries by effecting a compromise with the \*t theories.

<sup>6</sup>Particularly provocative is the fact that the preterit singular inflection of the Old Norse verba pura in  $-\underline{r}$ - is identical with that of the weak preterit but for the dental. At least synchronically the dental and the  $-\underline{r}$ - have the same meaning. If the Norse  $-\underline{r}$ - is, in turn, related to the Old High German preterit in  $-\underline{r}$ - we get close to a laryngeal derivation on the dental; cf. fn. 12 below.

We are, by the way, greatly deceived if we generalize that strong verbs tend to decrease in the history of Germanic on the basis of our knowledge of Contemporary English or German. Wilmanns (1899:43) records substantial data for strong verbs which are first cited in Middle High German, suggesting they are innovations and not just accidentally uncited previously. Obviously a different semantic mechanism functioned in the grammar of Middle High German than in New High German.

8 The morphemic variations are analogous to certain variations on the phonological levelñ cf. '...a prelude to phonological change e.g., is allophonic swarming which settles down to a petrified emic construct' (Rauch forthcoming).

According to historical grammars, the Germanic weak verbs (cf. sect. 4 below) represent present stem types, e.g. stems in Gmc. \*-ja-, in nasal, denominatives (Brugmann 1916:48, 51, 478) which were restricted to a present stem only, i.e., they had no related aorist stems nor a perfect stem. On the other hand, the characteristically ablauting preterit of the strong verbs (cf. sect. 1) reflects an Indo-European perfect stem (Polomé 1964:879-880). Hirt (1928:301) divides all Indo-European verbs into strong: weak, or primary: secondary, on the basis of multiple stems, the first containing present, aorist, and perfect stems, the second noun-related present stems only. The division is not clean-cut; witness Hirt's 'starke Verben jüngerer Schicht,' which lack a perfect stem and the strong aorist stem (p. 311). Although we observe the correlation strong verb: multiple stem, weak verb: single stem, we do well to withhold priority in origin on this basis, since finite use of participles as well as periphrastic tense formations date back to Indo-European times (cf. fn. 4).

<sup>10</sup>So, e.g. Makaev (1964:29-30) writes: 'The architectonically simple verba! paradigmatics of Early Germanic, based on the opposition infect/perfect, was no longer functional in Late Germanic, where it was replaced by a more complex scheme based on the opposition present/preterit, which carried a temporal rather than an aspectual relevance. In the verbal subsystem of Common Germanic this found expression in the creation of...the Germanic dental past.'

11 The features given are not necessarily exclusive or minimal. Redundancies are not to be removed within a set or across sets for the purposes of the present paper. The examples, while representative, need not be completely specified.

12 WGmc. \*do- occupies the unique position of being a verbum purum, ablauting, with a preterit which may be viewed either as a reduplicated stem or a stem in dental, and with a strong past participle. The verb \*do-notwithstanding, from the viewpoint of the dental preterit one cannot escape the observation that the Germanic class VII verb displays phonological and semantic features which represent a transition class between strong and weak verbs. This is being pursued in a separate paper (cf. sect. 2 above).

<sup>13</sup>Interestingly, we may observe further sementic redundancy with and in the proliferation of proposed inflectional endings for the dental preterit to be found in the literature, e.g. Collitz (1912): Indo-European perfect middle and optative; and Must (1952): Indo-European subjunctive, intensive, durative. This again requires separate study.

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### PERIPHRASTIC VERB FORMATION IN PERSIAN

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0. This paper provides a description of the Persian periphrastic verb (PV), pointing out the features that render it distinct from the compound verbs commonly found in many languages, and traces, to the extent that it is possible, the historical development of the PV formation process from Old to Modern Persian. It is shown that though PV formation undoubtedly played a productive role in the nativization of foreign vocabulary, it is also a productive device for generating verbs from native vocabulary. Speculations are offered as to how historical development of the PV structure accounts for certain peculiarities of the synchronic syntactic and derivational behavior of the PV. 1.0 The term PV is used to refer to morphologically complex verbs of the type guš dādan 'listen' (literally 'ear' + 'give') and sar āmadan 'overflow' (literally 'head' + 'come') which are found in great abundance in contemporary Persian. A rough survey (cf. Telegdi 1950-51:316) based on an arbitrarily selected, approximately four-hundred verb section of a German-Persian dictionary reveals that one out of every ten verbs in modern Persian consists of a pure Persian root and is of a non-periphrastic structure. The rest are PV's consisting of an indeclinable P, Adj. P, or Adv.P., either loan or native, followed by a pure Persian single verb stem which serves as the auxiliary (AUX) in that it may be inflected, carrying all the syntactic features generally attached to the verb: tense, mood, negativity, person, and number. The choice of the AUX depends, to some extent, on properties of the verb such as transitivity, causativity, and voice. The class of periphrastic AUX includes over thirty of the most common pure Persian simple verbs, the most recurrent of which are sodan 'become,' kardan 'do', dadan 'give', xordan 'eat', and zadan 'hit.'1

The PV in Persian has not been discussed in great detail in the linguistic literature, though traditional grammarians (Jones, 1969; Lampton, 1957; Lavian, 1971) have always been aware of the abundance of what they call "compound verbs" in Persian.

1.1 PV's have the following structure.

$$\left\{
\begin{array}{c}
ADJ.P\\
ADV.P
\end{array}
\right\}$$
- AUX

Theraples from each of the PV types are gus dadan 'listen', (literally 'ear' + 'give'), garm kardan 'heat' (literally 'hot' + 'do'), and dar raftan 'slip', (literally 'out' + 'go') respectively. The order of constituents within the PV follows the general pattern characterizing the P constituents of the language. Persian has an SOV (Subject Object Verb) word order, as shown in (2).

(2) parviz ketāb xānd. 'Parviz read a book.'
'Parviz' 'book' 'read.'

The PV is recursive in that (a) it may be derived from another PV, and (b) it may be composed of the same constituents as the VP containing it. Type (a) is illustrated by the PV <u>faryad boland kardan</u> 'scream' (literally 'cry' + 'high' + 'do') which is, in turn, derived from another PV, namely <u>boland kardan</u> 'raise', (literally 'high' + 'do') such that the former PV literally means 'cry' + 'raise'.

- (3) [ $_{PV}$ fary $\bar{a}d + I_{PV}$ boland + kardan]] Type (b) is illustrated by the  $\Psi$  <u>kalame harf zadan</u> 'speak' (literally 'word' + 'word' + 'hit'), both the  $\Psi$  and the PV within it having the constituent structure IPV.
- (4) [P kalame PV harf + zadan]]
  1.2 Compound verbs in many languages are different from their Persian equivalents, the PV's, in that the former do not play the role of a verbal unit syntactically. For example, a compound verb formed from a simple transitive verb and a direct object IP, cannot take a direct object of its own, even though its overall meaning is inherently transitive. Thus, unlike PV's, it is the simple verb alone that plays the role of the verbal unit within a compound verb construction. In order to make clear this difference, examples of compound verbs are taken from English, an Indo-European language, and

In English the noun <u>beating</u> is derived from the verb <u>beat</u> which is a simple transitive verb that takes a direct object, as in the sentence:

from Hebrew, a Semitic language, are contrasted with Persian PV's.

The compound verb derived from the noun <u>beating</u> and the simple verb <u>give</u>, namely <u>give</u> a <u>beating</u>, though very similar in meaning to <u>beat</u>, is different from it in that it cannot take a direct object and is restricted to taking

the dative case only:

(6) Dan gave a beating to Mary 'Dan gave Mary a beating'
[IP V IP dative IP]
marker(d.m.)

In sentence (6) gave is the verb, taking at most one accusative and one dative P, in this case beating and Mary respectively.

Likewise, in Hebrev, the noun maka 'beating' is derived from the simple transitive verb lehakot 'beat', which takes a direct object as in sentence:

(7) dan hika et-meri 'Dan beat Hary.'

'Dan' 'beat' 'definite-Hary'
accusative...

The compound verb derived from the noun <u>maka</u> and the simple verb <u>latet</u> 'to give', namely <u>latet maka</u> 'give a beating' cannot take a direct object, and is restricted to taking the dative case only:

(8) dan natan maka le-meri 'Dan gave Hary a beating.'
'Dan' 'gave' 'beating' 'd.m.-Mary'

In sentence (8) <u>natan</u> 'gave' alone plays the role of a verb, taking at most one accusative and one dative IP, maka and meri respectively.

In Persian, on the other hand, the noun <u>kotak</u> 'beating' combines with the simple transitive verb <u>radan</u> 'hit' to form the PV <u>kotak radan</u> 'beat' (literally 'beating' + 'hit'), which is transitive and capable of taking a direct object of its own. In Persian, unlike English, one can say:

(9) dan meri- rā kotak zad 'Dan beat Mary.'

'Dan' 'Mary' (d.a.c.m.) 'beating' 'hit'

where <u>meri</u>, as indicated by the definite accusative case marker-<u>rā</u> is the direct object of the PV <u>kotak</u> <u>zad</u>, which acts as a verb unit, and not of the simple verb <u>zad</u> which has a direct object of its own-<u>kotak</u>. One can thus conclude that in Persian a PV can be used alternately with its simple verb equivalent, if attested, while the compound verb in English and Mebrev cannot.

It is also interesting to note that Hindi compound verbs, including those which contain Arabic loans acquired through contact with Persian, are not all verbal units in the same way that Persian PV's are. A great number of Hindi compound verbs comprising Perso-Arabic loans differ from Persian PV's in that the former cannot take a direct object P, even when their meanings are transitive, since the IP within the compound verb holds

the direct object position in relation to the AUX, which acts as the sentential verb. Thus, many Hindi compound verbs take a possessive NP in a context where a simple V equivalent would take an accusative NP, Consider the following example.

(10) mã jān-ko sərāh rəha-hū 'I praise John.'
'I' 'John-animate accusative 'praise' -imperf.-l Sg.
case marker (a.a.c.m.)

where sərāhrəhāhū 'praise' is a native simple verb.

A compound verb tarif k3rma also meaning 'praise' (literally 'praise + 'do') with a Perso-Arabic compound ed NP ta7rif 'praise, takes a genetival instead of an accusative P; even though the verb is used to express the same transitive notion, since the direct object position is filled by the P within the compound verb.

(11) mē jan-kī tārif kðr-rðhā-hū 'I praise John,'
'I' 'John-of' 'praise' 'do'

Notice that  $j\bar{a}n-ki$  (11) is not accusative, but possessive indicating that the compound verb in Hindi is not a verbal unit.<sup>2</sup>

- 1.3 The periphrastic AUX can be classified into two types: (a) 'semi periphrastic AUX' and (b) 'fully periphrastic' or, simply speaking, 'periphrastic AUX. The class of semi-periphrastic AUX includes the verbs whose only function is to reflect certain syntactic features associated with the verb, such as mood and voice, generally not expressed in a single-stem verb in Persian. The position of the semi-periphrastic AUX is after the participial form with which it combines. Thus the semi-periphrastic AUX is like the "regular" AUX in its functions, though structurally it is similar to the periphrastic AUX in that it does not combine with a declineable constituent. Its main difference from the periphrastic AUX is that the latter does not combine with the participial forms of pure Persian single-stem verbs, while the former invariably does. An example of the semi-periphrastic AUX is \$\frac{8}{20dan}\$ 'become' which is used in the passive forms of simple verbs in Persian. The passive form of the simple verb <a href="mailto:xordan">xordan</a> 'eat', for example, is:
  - (12) xorde sodan 'be eaten'
    'eaten' 'become'

<u>\*Sodan</u>, however, can also be used as a periphrastic AUX in the formation of PV's such as <u>pa \*Sodan</u> 'get up' (literally 'leg' + 'become') and <u>piyade \*Sodan</u>

'get off'. (literally 'on foot' + 'become'). Therefore an occurence of <u>Sodan</u> in a verbal compound is to be classified into either one of the two categories, semi-periphrastic or periphrastic AUX, according to its functions in that verbal expression.

The periphrastic AUX, described earlier, is a single-stem pure Porsian verb that combines with a PP, ADJ.P., or ADV.P. to form a completely different lexical item of the verbal category -- the PV. The periphrastic AUX, unlike semi-periphrastic ones, do not combine with participal forms of another verb in order to reflect a different syntactic aspect of it, such as voice. Another difference lies in the fact that the periphrastic AUX becomes partially reduced in its semantic contents, relative to its simple verb occurences, while the semi-periphrastic AUX retains its full semantic load. Thus in pa sodan the periphrastic AUX sodan is semantically reduced, to some extent, for pā šodan does not mean 'become a leg' but 'get up' which implies 'stand on a leg', whereas in (12) the semi-periphrastic AUX Yodan used with the wast participal form of the active verb xordan to generate the passive form, retains its semantic contents -- 'be eaten'. Other examples illustrating that the semantic contents of the periphrastic AUX is generally reduced, and that the non-verbal constituents of the PV "charge" it to a certain extent are:

- (13) češm duxtan 'watch closely'
  'eye' + 'sew'
- (14) Jaru kardan 'sweep'
  'broom' + 'do'

In (13) and (14) the periphrastic AUX's acquire an instrumental case feature from the general meaning of the P's with which they combine. Thus in (13), duxtan 'sew' takes on the meaning of 'use' so that <u>cesm</u> duxtan comes to mean 'use an eye (so see)'. Likewise in (14) <u>kardan</u> 'do' takes on the semantic contents of 'use' such that <u>Yaru kardan</u> takes on the meaning 'use a broom (to sweep)'. In general a periphrastic AUX acquires the meaning 'use' when combined with a semantically instrumental IP to form a PV.

Though the periphrastic AUX's lose most of their semantic contents, the choice of AUX is not an altogether arbitrary process. Different AUX's are used with the same non-verbal element to produce transitive vs. intransitive forms, active vs. passive forms, causative vs. reflexive forms, or stative

vs. active forms of a particular PV. For example, with the ADJ.

bidar 'awake', the use of the AUX <u>sodan</u> 'become' produces <u>bidar sodan</u> 'awaken' (literally 'awake' + 'become') in its intransitive, reflexive sense, while the use of the AUX <u>kardan</u> 'do' produces <u>bidar kardan</u> 'awaken' (literally 'awake' + 'do') with its transitive, causative reading.

Though the periphrastic AUX is highly reduced in semantic contents, no two auxiliaries are completely interchangeable. The AUX's <u>kardan</u> 'do', <u>nemudan</u> 'show', and <u>farmudan</u> 'order' seem to be used interchangeably in many PV's to form doublets or triplets such as <u>soal kardan</u> (literally 'question' + 'do'), <u>soal nemudan</u> (literally 'question' + 'show'), and <u>soal farmudan</u> (literally 'question' + 'order'), all basically meaning 'ask'. However, the three PV's are not exact synonyms, for they reflect very fine shades in meaning. <u>soal farmudan</u>, for example, expresses respect towards the "performer" of the action, and is used in sentences such as:

(15) sah soal farmud 'The king asked a question.'
'king' 'question' 'ordered'

soal nemudan differs from soal kardan in that it belongs to a more literary level of Persian; soal kardan is more commonly used in the spoken language. When used with an ADJ.P. in a periphrastic construction, the three AUK's kardan, nemudan, and farmudan may not even be all grammatical, let alone interchangeable. For example Persian has the PV divane kardan 'to make crazy' (literally 'crazy' + 'do'), but not the expressions \*divane nemudan (literally 'crazy' + 'show') and \*divane farmudan (literally 'crazy' + 'order').

2.0 PV formation is not exclusively a device to fill in semantic gaps in the verbal category, where there are no simple verbs to express a certain notion. There is evidence, throughout its history, that the process of PV formation is not only a process of compensation for the lack of certain verbs in the language, but also a deliberate process to supplement and eventually supplant single-stem verbs in Persian.

2.1 The PV pattern is attested in Avestan, spoken hundreds of years prior to the influence of Λrabic on Persian, thus eliminating the possibility that this process was devised by the language solely for the purpose of borroving Arabic verbs that had no lexical representation in Persian. Though many compound verbs are attested in Avestan, the variety of possible periphrastic AUX's is limited, and their combinations with nonverbal elements are greatly restricted. The simple verb šemārdan 'count', and its

PV derivative and synonym <u>Semar kardan</u> (literally 'count' + 'do') for example, can be traced back to Avestan. (cf. Telegdi, 1950-51:330-1). The few usages of such verbs in Avestan (cf. Reichelt, 1909:228) are:

- (16) yō narəm vīxrūməntəm x'arəm fainti
  'who''somebody(acc)''bloody(acc)'-wound(acc)' 'hits'
  'Who gives somebody a bloody wound.
- (17) skəndəm se mano kərənüiəi
  'destruction(acc)' 'his' 'mind(acc)' 'do'
  'destroy his mind'
- (18) aat ta hazo nivarozayon daeva

  'then' 'them(acc)' 'force(acc)' 'committed' 'the daevas'

  'then those Doevas committed force against them.'
- 2.2 Pahlavi, generally known as Middle Persian, spoken in 300 B.C. 900 A.D.; also prior to the Mohammedan and Arab influence, has more compound verbs than do Old Persian and Avestan, though the frequency of PV's in Pahlavi texts is rather limited in comparison with Modern Persian. Grammars of Pahlavi discuss under the topic of "compound verbs" verbs of the type PARTICLE + V, and not PV's as defined in this paper. The failure on the part of Pahlavi grammarians to devote any substantial work to the description of the PV, even though scattered examples of PV's are attested, can be interpreted to be indicative of the following: a) PV formation was not productive enough in Pahlavi to be recorded in grammar books, and
- b) that the syntactic behavior of the PV's was not uniform enough (as in Modern Persian) to warrant analysis and discussion. One can therefore conclude that the productivity and syntactic patterns of this construction are relatively recent developments, the conclusion pending a more thorough examination of the PV's in Pahlavi.
- 3.0 It seems that contact with Arabic may have stimulated the spread of this construction, for the PV's in all Islamic languages and Yidlish almost always contain Semitic non-verbal elements (Wexler; 1971;1974). Periphrastic constructions using Arabic are extremely popular in Iranian and Turkic languages which had contact with Arabic, from which the non-verbal components of the PV were borrowed. In Yiddish the non-verbal component of the PV is invariably taken from hebrew. It is in such situations of large-scale borrowing that the PV construction becomes productive. The language borrows a foreign noun and derives a PV from

it, without subjecting the loan word to any of the inflections that a native verb might take.PV formation, then, is a "strategy" of the language to get around a general phenomenon observed in situations of language contact, namely the unreadiness of verbs (as opposed to nouns) to be borrowed and nativized.

A great majority of PV's in Persian contain a non-verbal constituent borrowed from Arabic. The basic types of Arabic loans penetrating into the Persian PV are verbal nouns, present active participles, and past passive participles from all the Arabic verb patterns (cf. Rastorgueva 1964:65-6). See examples (19)-(21)

- (19) Arabic verbal noun <u>yalabe</u> 'victory':

  yalabe kardan 'vanquish'
  'victory' + 'do'
- (20) Arabic present active participle γaleb 'vanishing:
   γaleb kardan 'vanquish'
  'vanquish(ing)' + 'do'
- (21) Arabic passive past participle <u>maylub</u> 'vanquished':

  maylub kardan 'vanquish'

  'vanquished' + 'do'

Two or more synonymous PV's can thus be formed, each time using a different form of the same Arabic loan word, whereas for each PV containing a non-verbal element of pure Persian origins, there are no synonymous PV's using other derivatives of the same non-verb. There is no preference as to which of the three forms of the verb is borrowed from Arabic; sometimes the verbal noun and the two participles can be used in PV's to convey the same semantic contents, as seen in examples (19-21); where the periphrastic AUX has the power to "undo" the passive sense innerent in the Arabic past passive participle. Persian PV's formed from Arabic loans, therefore, involve a distortion of the Arabic syntactic norms. Persian disregards the [+passive] feature of the past passive participial forms of the Arabic verbs it borrows, as can be seen in example (21), where maylub is used with the active AUX kardan 'do' to produce an active verb maylub kardan 'vanquish'. In order to form a passive PV with maylub, the Persian language has to combine the passive AUX sodan 'be' with it.

(22) maylub sodan 'be vanquished' 'vanquished' + 'become'

- 4.0 Evidence that PV formation is not essentially a "borrowing" device is the fact that Arabic stems are borrowed to derive PV's even when there are no semantic gaps in the Persian language for that verb. The verbal noun hesab 'account' is borrowed and "periphrased" by the language to yield the verb hesab kardan 'count' (literally 'account' + 'do') when the native \*Semardan 'count' and its periphrastic derivative \*Semar kardan 'count' (literally 'counting' + 'do') already are part of the lexicon.

  Another example is the borrowing of the Arabic verbal noun soal 'question' to form the PV soal kardan 'ask' (literally 'question' + 'do'), when there exists a native simple verb porsidan having the same meaning.
- 4.1 Arabic is not the only foreign source of the non-verbal component of the PV in Persian. There are verbal semantic gaps in Persian for which PV's are created by combining a Western European non-verbal component and a native periphrastic AUX. A recent modern example of such a verb is telefon kardan 'call up' (literally 'telephone + 'do') formed by combining the Western nominal loan telefon 'telephone' with the native periphrastic AUX kardan 'do'. telefon kardan, being a verb of calling, takes a dative iP introduced by the marker be 'to':
- (23) parviz be-meri telefon kard 'Parviz called Mary up.'
  'Parviz 'to-Mary' 'telephone' 'did'

There are also PV's such as rezerv kardan 'book' (literally 'reserve' + 'do') formed from European loans, and which take an accusative P. 7

- (24) parviz otaq-ra rezerv kard 'Parviz reserved the room.'

  'Parviz' 'room- 'reserve' 'did'
  d.a.c.m.'
- 4.2 The gradual replacement of simple verbs by PV's is a prevalent trend in contemporary Persian. PV's are formed using native vocabulary even when their simple verb counterparts are still in usage. The periphrastic forms rather than the simple verbs expressing the same semantic contents are becoming dominant in the spoken language, pushing their simple form paraphrases into the level of the formal literary language. For example, yad gereftan 'learn' (literally 'memory' + 'take') is supplanting amuxtan 'learn', nešan dadan 'show' (literally 'sign' + 'give') is replacing nemudan, which is itself a productive periphrastic AUX, and farar kardan 'escape' (literally 'free' + 'do') is replacing

gorixtan 'escape'. In some cases the PV and the single verb it is supplanting are derivatives of the same stem, as is the case with Yosteyu kardan 'search' ('search' + 'do') and Yostan 'search' and sany hardan 'estimate' (literally 'estimate' + 'do') and sanyidan 'estimate', clearly indicating that the periphrastic constructions are not formed in order to fill the semantic gaps in the verbal lexicon.

4.3 Another aspect of the productiveness of the PV in Persian is that a different verb is generated for each verbal form such as active, passive, stative, causative, reflexive, etc. using the same non-verbal stem, combined with different periphrastic AUX's. For example, form the native noun stem yad 'memory' the following PV's are derived:

- (25) yad gereftan (active, transitive) 'learn'
  'memory' + 'get'
- (26) yad dadan (active, causative, transitive) 'teach'
  'memory' + 'give'
- (27) yad daštan (stative) 'know'
  'memory + 'have'
- (28) yad avordan (active, transitive) 'remind'

+ 'bring'

'eat'

'memory'

'swear'

- (29) yad amadan (passive) 'be remembered'
  'memory' + 'come'
- (30) yad raftan (passive) 'be forgotten'
  'memory' + 'go'

4.4 Another aspect of the productivity of the PV formation process lies in the fact that a certain periphrastic AUX may be paired with different non-verb constituents to produce a variety of verbs. For example, using the simple native verb <u>xordan</u> 'eat' as the AUX, the following PV's, among others, can be formed:

(31)	zamin		xorâan	'fall'
	ground!	+	'eat'	
(32)	čub		xordan	'be beaten (with a rod)'
	'stick'	+	'eat'	
(33)	qose		xordan	'worry'
	'worry'	+	'eat'	
(34)	qasam		xordan	'swear'

(35) farib xordan 'be cheated'
'cheating' + 'eat'

(36) afsus xordan 'regret'

'grief' + 'eat'

(37) dast xordan 'be used'
'hand' + 'eat'

In the above PV's part of the semantic contents inherent in the verb <u>xordan</u> 'eat' is reduced, and, as an AUX, it acquires a different semantic load from each of the different non-verbal constituents with which it combines.

The fact that the meanings of the PV's are not always absolutely predictable seems to indicate that the PV's are idiomatic. On the other hand, their recursiveness, their uniform structures, their syntactic behavior, and the predictability of their verbal features such as voice, causality, reflexivity, etc. argue for their productivity. The question remains open as to whether the PV's in Persian are "lexicalized" or whether they are to some extent genuinely productive.

- 5.1 Among the features that establish the PV formation as a productive process is the regular syntactic benavior of the PV's. The PV behaves as a single verbal unit, capable of taking a iP bearing the same grammatical relation to it as the one it includes. Further evidence in support of a V analysis of the PV comes from the inseparability of its components by other elements of the sentence. For example, the placement of the regular AUX is limited to pre-PV position as shown in (38) while the acceptability of (39) is rather marginal:
  - (38) bace [p darad zamin mixorad] 'The child is falling' 'child' 'has' 'ground' 'eat'
  - (39) ?bace [P zamin darad mixorad] 'The child is falling.'

Mowever, within a regular W the regular AUX can appear either in the preverbal or the pre-object position, as examples (40)-(41) indicate:

- (40) bače [p darad sib mixorad] 'The child is eating child' 'has' 'apple' 'eat'
- (41) bake [P sib darad mixorad] 'The child is cating an apple.' 'child' 'apple' 'has' 'eat'

A constituent that may interrupt a PV sequence, however, is a direct object or indirect object clitic. Object clitics are optionally placed in

Persian after the non-verbal element of a PV as in:

(42) parviz <u>miz - rā</u> [pāk-(eš) kard] 'Parviz cleaned the table.'

which has the following syntactic variant, where the clitic is placed after the periphrastic AUX:

(43) parviz miz - rā [pāk kard - (eš)]

With simple verbs the object clitic is generally placed after the verb.

(44) parviz sib - ra xord-(es) 'Parviz ate the apple.'
'Parviz' 'apple-d.a.c.m.' 'ate'-(it)'

Indirect object clitics in sentences containing PV's likewise appear in one of two possible positions:

- (45) parviz [PV soal es kard] 'Parviz asked him (something)' 'Parviz' 'question' '-him' 'did'
- (46) parviz [PV soal kard es] 'Parviz asked him something)'
  'Parviz' 'question' 'did' 'him'

The indirect object clitics in the post-direct object position are less acceptable in P'sthan in PV's. This difference in acceptability strengthens the claim that the underlying structure of PV's is different from the P constituents of Persian sentences. Notice the sentences:

- (47) parviz soal [vporsid es] 'Parviz asked him a question.'
  'Parviz' 'question' 'asked' 'him'
- (48) ?parviz soal eš [vporsid] 'Parviz asked him a question.'
  'Parviz' 'question' 'him' 'asked'

where <u>porsid</u> 'asked' is a simple transitive verb and <u>soal</u> 'question' its direct object.

Another type of example supporting a V analysis for the PV comes from the inseparability of its components by modifiers as in example (49)

(49) "parviz <u>guš</u>-e ziyād <u>dād</u> ('Parviz listened much')

'Parviz' 'ear-adjectival' 'much' 'gave'
liason(a.l.;

However, there is a type of PV's that at first glance seem to violate the "inseparability restrictions" imposed on them. Consider (50):

(50) parviz <u>harf</u> - e ziyad <u>zad</u> 'Parviz spoke much.'
'Parviz' 'word-a.l. 'much' 'hit'

Such examples seem to serve as counterevidence for the hypothesis that the PV is an inseparable unit belonging to the category V. However, a

critical examination of such examples reveals that separable PV's must be viewed to be W's in their base form, containing PV's whose objects have been deleted in certain predictable environments. With the deletion of the second of the two morphologically identical MP's, the sequence becomes structurally similar to the PV. Thus (50) in which the PV sequence <a href="harf">harf</a> <a href="mailto:really">readan</a> 'speak' (literally 'word' + 'hit') seems to be interrupted by a modifier, can be shown to be underlyingly (51), from which the second occurence of harf is deleted under morphological identity to produce (50).

(51) parviz harf - e ziyad harf zad.

'Parviz 'word - a.l. 'much' word' hit'
spoke

The fact that a sequence of morphologically identical IP's does not appear in sentences of Persian suggests that there must be some device that blocks an underlying P containing two identical nouns from appearing on the surface, most likely by deleting the second of two identical nouns. Thus one can say soal porsidan 'ask a question,' where soal is the direct object of porsidan, a simple verb, but not "soal soal kardan, where porsidan has been replaced by its PV counterpart soal kardan.

More evidence can be brought for the hypothesis that the underlying constituent structure of "separable" PV's is that of a P containing a direct object morphologically identical to the noun within the periphrastic sequence. The grammaticality of phrases such as soal-ra kard 'asked the question' with a definite direct object marker-ra inserted after the direct object IP within the PV soal kardan 'ask' (literally 'question' + 'do'), indicates that such an occurence of soal plays the role of a direct object, rather than the noun of the PV.

(52) parviz soal - ra kard 'Parviz asked the question.'
'Parviz''question-d.a.c.m.' 'did'

Also the sequence soal-ra kard cannot take a direct object of its own.

The position of the indirect object in sentences of the language constitutes another piece of evidence for the hypothesis that the seeningly "separable" PV's should be considered P's with deleted nouns. The relative linear order between the direct and indirect object in Persian is stylistically conditioned, such that both orderings are possible:

(53) parviz ketāb - rā be-man dād. 'Parviz gave the 'Parviz' 'book-d.a.c.m.' 'to-me' 'gave' book to me.'

(54) parviz be-man ketab - ra dad. 'Parviz gave the book to me.'
'Parviz''to-me' 'book - d.a.c.m.' 'gave'

An indirect object can interrupt a PV sequence of the type illustrated by (50) and (52), to produce alternate structures such as (57) and (58), but cannot interrupt PV's in general, as (55) and (56) indicate.

- (55) parviz be man [PV arviz spoke to me.'

  'Parviz' 'to me' 'word' 'hit'
- (56) \*parviz [pyharf be man zad] 'Parviz spoke to me' 'Parviz' 'word' 'to me' 'hit'
- (57) parviz be man Pharf e ziyad zad J 'Parviz spoke much 'Parviz' 'to me' 'word-a.l. 'much' 'hit'
- (58) parviz [W harf e ziyad be man zad] 'Parviz spoke much 'Parviz' 'word-a.l.' much' to me' 'hit' to me'

The variation in (57) and (58) can be explained in terms of free word order between direct and indirect objects in Persian, if the surface sequence <a href="https://example.com/harf-e\_ziyād\_zad">harf-e\_ziyād\_zad</a> is analyzed to be an underlying \( \mathbb{P} \).

5.2 The PV is syntactically distinct also from the grammatical category \( \mathbb{V} \), for unlike the \( \mathbb{V} \), it does not participate in the native non-verbal inflectional or derivational patterns. PV's behave differently from simple verbs with respect to the non-verbal derivatives they possess. Certain patterns of adjectival and nominal derivatives of verbs in Persian

(59) [ADJ xordan - i ] 'edible'
'to eat - adjectival suffix'
(a.s.)

and INF + i + ha - nouns such as:

are of the structure INF. + i-adjectives such as:

(60) [ p xordan - i ha ] 'edible things' 'to eat' - a.s. plural morpheme'

From the following table it can be seen that only simple verbs have derivatives of the INF. -i and INF. -i - ha patterns: PV's are not amenable to such patterns. Even the PV's gus kardan 'hear' and harf zadan 'speak,' which are paraphrasable by genidan and goftan respectively--both being simple verbs that have the above mentioned adjectival and nominal derivatives--do not possess such derivatives.

TABLE I

VERB AMENABILITY TO NON-VERBAL DERIVATIVE FORMATION

INFINITIVE	VERB TYPE	ADJ[INF-i] PATTERN	PATTLE
xordan 'to eat'	simple	xordan - i 'edible'	xordan - i - hā 'edible things'
šenidan 'to hear'	simple	šenidan - i 'audible'	šenidan - i hā 'audible things'
'ear' + 'to d	periphrastic	⇔guš kardan - i	oguš kardan - i - hā
'to hear'		unintelligible meaning	unintelligible meaning
goftan 'to speak'	simple	goftan - i 'speakable'	goftan - i - ha 'sayings'
harf zadan 'word' + 'to	periphrastic	"harf zadan - i	*harf zadan - i - hā
'to speak'		unintelligible meaning	unintelligible meaning

6. In conclusion, it seems that PV formation in Persian got great impetus with the increasing number of Arabic verbs that had to be nativized. Because of the difference between the structures of the host and target languages, the direct borrowing of verbs from Arabic into the Persian declension patterns would have greatly violated the Arabic structure. PV formation appears to have been the ideal compromise between the two structures, for it kept the Arabic component indeclineable. At first PV formation may have been a conscious learned process, but its productiveness increased with usage to the extent that today PV's are used more often than simple V's in the colloquial language. The data in Table I corroborates with the fact that the PV's are not completely productive as simple V's in some ways, showing that the PV's have not yet been completely integrated into the verbal system of Persian.

It seems that one cannot give conclusive explanations for this general trend towards verbal prolixity in the Persian language. The speculations provided above, however, suggest directions for further research.

#### FOOTNOTES

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creave

'order'

'have'

tsee!

'get'

'put'

'lose'

'take'

'bring'

'tie'

1 go 1

'come'

 $^{
m l}$ The following is a list of the productive periphrastic Aux's in Persian, complementing those listed in the text:
saxtan

nemudan 'show' farmudan dāstan didan gereftan gozāstan baxtan bordan bastan avordan raftan amadan xastan 'want' kesidan 'pull' duxtan 'sew' gardidan 'turn' gardandan 'make turn' resandan 'make reach' goftan 'sav' kandan 'pick' xandan 'read' gastan 'search' yaftan 'find' oftadan 'fall'

Likewise a compound verb satahna karna 'make praise' made up of the native verbal noun sarahma and the AUX karna 'do' to express the same transitive notion, as in (i):

jan - ki sərahna kðr-rðha-hū 'I praise John.' 'John - of' 'praise' 'do'

also takes a genetival pan-ki. One explanation may be that the Persian PV tadrif kardan relate '(literally relate' + 'do') may very well have served as a syntactic model for the Perso-Arabic compound verb in llindi tarif karna. The Persian PV tarif kardan means 'telling (good things) about somebody/something'; it does not take an accusative IP, but an oblique one. It appears that "nativized" expressions such as tarif karna, in turn serve as models for the Sanskritic or native calques such as sðrahna karna, such that the latter expressions require the same type of P's as their borrowed paraphrases. Further research, however, needs to be done to investigate the original uncalqued Mindi compound verbs in an effort to discover the distribution patterns of the types of P's they can take.

<sup>3</sup>The AUX of the PV construction should be properly differentiated from the so-called "regular" auxiliaries of the language, which generally precede another verbal component in a morphologically complex verb. An example of a regular auxiliary in Persian is <u>xastan</u> 'want', used to indicate futurity.

(i) mixam be-rav-am 'I want to go.'
'want-lSg)' 'subjunctive-go-lSg.'
marker

- (16) may have been formed after sentences with the pattern of (i):
- (i) yo nar∂m frazabaoðanh∂m sna@\$m jainti 'who''somebody(acc.)' 'Fr.(acc.)' - 'blow(acc)' 'hits' 'Who gives somebody the Fr.-blow.'

where the verb in (i) equivalent to 'hit a blow' is clearly a 'figuraa etymologia' of the type dream a dream.'

To assume, on the other hand, that the PV construction is essentially devised in order to borrow into the language verbs in which it is deficient would imply that simple verbs cannot be derived from loan words. This is not strictly true. There are Arabic loan verbal noun steas from which simple Persian verbs are formed, though such verbs are rare in the language. Examples are raqsidan 'dance', fahmidan 'comprehend', and talabidan 'request', which follow the inflectional patterns of the Persian simple verbs. However, even these verbs are supplemented by their corresponding periphrastic forms rags kardan (literally 'dance' + 'do'), falm dastan (literally 'comprehension' + 'have') and talab kardan (literally 'request' + 'do'), which use the Arabic verbal noun as the non-verbal component. The rarety of simple verbs such as ragsidan is not surprising, considering the differences in the declension patterns between the Persian and Arabic verbal patterns. PV's do less violence to the structure of the foreign loan. The same phenomenon is true about Perso-Arabic loans in Hindi, which follow the Hindi simple verb declension patterns. Some examples are garmana 'warm up,' from the Persian adjective garm 'hot', narmana 'to soften' from the Fersian adjective narm 'soft', and Jamma 'solidify' from the Perso-Arabic noun Jam? 'together', used to form the Persian PV Jam? kardan 'gather.'

For the average speaker of Persian, hesab kardan and <u>Semardan</u> are semantically equivalent—both meaning 'count', but the average so-called "learned" Persian detects a fine difference, namely that the former also has the sense of 'total up'.

Thindi PV's with English as the source of the non-verbal component, such as fon kerna 'telephone' (literally 'telephone' + 'do'), expect kerna 'expect' (literally 'expect' + 'do'), and feyl kerna 'fail' (literally 'fail' + 'do') introduced into the language over the past century do not seem to be calques on Perso-Arabic compounds, but rather productive unitary verbs with regular syntactic properties. Like their Persian counterparts, such PV's, if transitive in meaning, take accusative iP's, and not genetival iP's.

## See, for example:

- (i) mg 'jan-- ko sfon kðr '- rðha hú 'I telephone John.'
  'I' 'John-a.a.c.m.''telephone' 'do'
- (ii) mē. jān ko expect kðr-rðha-hū 'I expect John.'
  'I' 'John-a.a.c.m.''expect' 'do'

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## SOME PROBLEMS CONCERNING THE ORIGIN OF THE LATVIAN BROKEN TOMES

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l.1: Latvian is one of the two remaining languages in the Deltic branch of Balto-Blavic. Unlike Lithuanian, the other member of the group, Latvian differentiates stress accent from pitch accent. Latvian word stress is predictable and almost always occurs on the initial syllable (exceptions are few and can be exhaustively described). Howevel, tones or pitch accents are found (only and always) on all long syllables. By these I mean long vawels, diphthangs, and short vawels that are Followed by a tautosyllabic resonant (vowel + resonant + consenant). The following examples with level pitch (indicated by a circumflex weeks) illustrate these three environments:

V	V <sub>i</sub> V <sub>j</sub>	VAC
pīle 'duck'	laîva 'boat'	tilts 'bridge'

The standard literary language and the tomal dialect en union it is based has three distinct pitch accents, while the two other major tomal dialects have only two. The phonemic difference between the three pitch accents in those areas which have then can be clearly seen in minimal triplets like the following and:

luôgs [luɓks]	luõks	1Waks
'window'	'groen emion'	'arcg, bou'

1.2: The standard literary language is derived from the Cantral Latvian dialect (Latv. viduodialekts) which is spoker in some areas on the provinces of Vidzene and Zengelo. The three pisch accests dissinguished in this dialect are the level, falling, and maken water.

The level, prolonged, or sustained accest (Germ. Orbition, Latv. estimptate akcepts) has either a level pitch or a slightly rising pice (this

usually in words in isolation) throughout the syllable. Examples:

bra⊂lis	brother	avuõts	spring	duĥdurs	gad?ly
důmi	smoke	kaŭls	bone	baíts	white
bārt	to scold	liëls	big	spaíva	feather

The <u>falling</u> accent (Germ. <u>Fallton</u>, Latv. <u>kritosais akcents</u>) has a very short rise and then a falling pitch throughout the syllable; it is marked with a grave accent:

barda	beard	daiļš	beautiful	gùl ta	bed
	tongue	tèikt	to say	bàlss	voice
dzīt	to drive	tàuta	people, nation	cirpt	to snip
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The broken, interrupted, or glottal accent (Gern. Brechton, Latv. lauztais akcents) is characterized by an initial rising pitch, then optional glottal closure and a pitch fall—this tame is also often characterized by laryngealization. The accent is marked with a caret. Some examples are:

dzīve	life	dâikts	thing, tool	dzęîtę̃ns	yellou
rûgt	to ferment	miers	peace	art	to plough
vçls	late	jâuns	young	da <b>f</b> bs	work

A comparison of the three major tonal dialects indicates that Common Latvian probably had three distinctive pitch accents, rather than two as in the West Latvian and Latgalian dialects; likewise it can be demonstrated that in each of these latter dialects two different tones fell together.

1.2.1: West Latvian is spoken in the province of Kurzeme (Courland), and the western parts of Zemgale and Vidzeme. In most areas where West Latvian is used, the two pitch accents which occur are the level and broken tones. It happens that precisely those words which have falling

tome in the Central dialect have broken tome in this areas (cf. table 1). This would seem to indicate that the falling accent and the broken accent have fallen together. Furthermore, in the other creas of this dialect region an intenation is used for the falling and broken comes which is described as being halfway between falling and broken (EndzelThs 1951:47). (Perhaps by this is meant a falling tone with larryngeolization, but this is only speculation on my part.)

1.2.2: Migh Latvian or Latgalian (Latv. <u>latgalies</u> or <u>aug\*zenticks</u> <u>dialekts</u>) is spoken in the extreme southeast of Zemgale, costern Vidzent, and most of Latgale. In most areas of this region, the two pitch accords used are the broken and falling tones. The falling tone occurs not only in those words which have falling tone in the Central dialect but also in words that have level tone (cf. tablel). This would seem to indicate unot the falling and level tones have been collapsed in Latgalian. In a few areas, instead of the falling tone, level tone accours throughout (that is, in words corresponding to both level and falling tone words of the Central dialect). The tonal system of all the dialects can be described by a rough schematic diagram, as in table 1.

Central Latvian	Uest Latvian	Latgalian
level	level	Colling [or lovel]
broken	braken	brakan
falling	(er broken-	falling [or laval]

Table 1: Intenational correspondences between a a Laborum mialacts

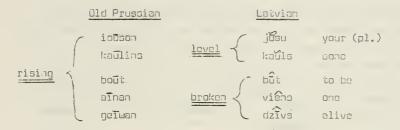
It seems most likely that historically both West Latvian and Latgolian had three pitch accents; only such a system will satisfactorily account for the distribution of intonations in the three dialects, including the disagraement in these distributions: one dialect has collapsed the falling and broken accents, the other—the falling and level accents. In this case, the Central Latvian dialect must reflect the historically prior situation, and the other two dialects have diverged from it.

1.3: The development of the three original pitch accents from Proto-Baltic can be established by reference to the accents of Old Prussian (another member of the Baltic branch) and Lithuanian, and also to the accents of Slavic. Old Prussian is no longer spoken, but some manuscripts do provide an indication of what the accents were: in some words, diphthongs will consistently have a macron over the first vowel, while in others the same diphthongs will have it on the second vowel. Since it has been generally accepted that the macrons mark the high point of the syllable nucleus (Stang 1966:143), the first case ( $\overline{\text{VV}}$ ) would probably denote a falling pitch and the second ( $\overline{\text{VV}}$ ) a rising pitch:

falling	rising
ausins	pogaūt
lāiku	aīnan
Fit:	กครื่นอกร

In general, syllables with falling pitch in Old Prussian correspond in cognate words to syllables with falling pitch in Latvian; those with Prussian rising pitch correspond both to level pitch and to broken pitch in Latvian:

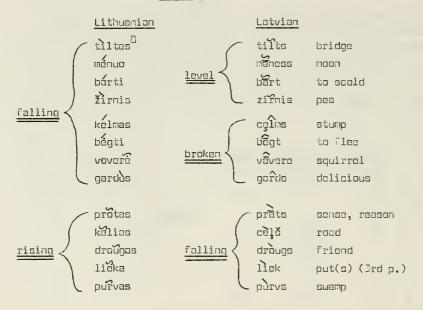
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		piēnkts	picci	five	



This same correspondence is seen between Latvian and the Slavia languages. The Slavia rising (acute) accent appears as stress on the second syllable of original V+l/r+C formations in Russian and is indicated by acute or grave marks in Glovenian and Gerbo-Croatian; the Palling accent (circumflex) is shown by stress on the first syllable of V+l/r+C formations in Russian and by a circumflex accent in Slovenian and Gerbo-Croatian:

	SerCr.	Russian	Slov.		Latvian	
falling (circ.)	brâdu drûg rûku vûk	borodu volk,	drûg vâłk	<u>Palling</u>	bārda drāugs rūoka vìlks	Board Priond hand wolf
Ĺ		válka				
	vjětar vråna	vorona	vrána		võtra värna	SKOPU
rising (acute)	màti pùn	VULUIIA	máti	level	māte pilns	nother
	brêza lîpa	boreza	bréza lípa		bę̃rzs liõpa	birch linden
	bjegati jerina	bežát'	bėžati		bēgt ję̃rs	to flee
	jesti jebuko		josti	broken	<del>Ĉ</del> st	to eat
	žila		žíla		ລີ່ນວ່າຣ ປະຈີວໄລ	appla sinsu

Lithuanian, on the other hand, does not correspond in precisely this same way. Unlike Latvian, but similar to Old Prussian and the Slavic languages, Lithuanian has only two distinctive pitch accents; these are the rising tone (marked by a circumflex accent) and the falling tone (marked with an acute). The falling accent of Lithuanian corresponds in Latvian cognates to the level or to the broken tone, while the rising accent corresponds to a falling pitch in Latvian:



It would appear from all of these data that Proto-Baltic probably had only two pitch accents, as in Old Prussian and Lithuanian; the evidence of the two Slavic accents also points to this conclusion. For the purposes of this paper it may be assumed that the Proto-Baltic accents had the character that is retained in Old Prussian and partly in Latvian (but not in Lithuanian); namely a rising accent corresponding to the Slavic acute (rising) accent and a falling one corresponding to the Slavic circumflex (falling tone). Cognates show the following distribution:

Slavic	Old Prussian	Latvian	Lithuanian	Proto-Saltic
N acute (rising)	V V rising	level ^ brokea	/ falling	V Ű rising
circumflex (falling)	√ V falling	falling	rising	ν̈́ V Calli ຫຼ

Table 2: Balto-Slavic accentual correspondences

It would then seem that Latvian has independently developed a third accent (the broken tone) by splitting the Proto-Baltic rising accent.

It is the purpose of this paper to determine the exact manner in which this split took place. Since the Old Prussian materials are scarce and not always consistent, I will in the following use Lithuanian as the main comparison language.

2.1: Standard literary Lithmanian, unlike Latvian, has only one pitch accent per word, and the place of the pitch accent is also the place of the word stress. This difference can be clearly seen in a pair of words like the following: Latv. macitajs 'minister', Lith. mókyvojas 'teacher'.

On the other hand, Latvian has as many pitch accents on a word as there are long syllables. Moreover, those accents remain constant throughout the paradigm of a single word; of, the following examples:

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nom.	ciemiņš	clemişi	นด์รูนก์โร	บอ์ระจัไเ
gen.	clemija	clamiqu	บอิราวุร	บอรินซิโบ
dat.	cleniņam	ciemiņiām	neloัusâu	uôz válišm
acc.	clemiņu	clemiņus	c6zu61	นด์รนซิโนธ
loc.	cleniņā	cleniquos	ī lõusâu	นอ์รบอัโมบิร

This same effect cannot be seen in Lithuanian, since Unstressed syllables cannot have any distinctive pitch. However, when the stress

shifts in the paradigm, different pitch accents can show up on different syllables of a word. (oreover, the pitch accents which then appear are contrastive (i.e. both types of accent can appear on any syllable) and, at the same time, do remain constant for a given syllable in a given word. Note the following sample paradigms:

	'rooster.	, cock¹	'pupi	1'
nom.	gaidÿs	gaidžiaí	mokinÿs	mokinia <b>ï</b>
дел.	gaïdžio	gaidžių̃	mókinio	mokinių́
dat.	gaidžiui	gaidžiáms	mákiniui	mokiniáns
acc.	gaĩdį	gaidžiùs	mókinį	mókinius
ins.	gaidžiù	gaidžiaís	mákiniu	mokiniaís
loc.	gaidyjè	gaidžiousè	mokinyj <b>è</b>	mokiniuosà

This sort of phenomenon in Lithuanian indicates that historically there may have been differentiation between the two types of accents even in unstressed syllables; if this had not been so, one would expect either phonologically conditioned occurrences of the different tones or else a completely random distribution (instead of the consistent appearance of the same tone on a given syllable of a word—as actually occurs).

Kuryłowicz (1960:112) has claimed that Balto-Slavic has had tonal distinctions only in accented syllables. However, the evidence of the Lithuanian nominal paradigms given above goes against this claim. Horeover, present-day standard Latvian distinguishes no less than three different tones in unstressed syllables; some examples are: něaúst 'to not weave': něaúst 'to not shoot': něaust 'to not dawn'; třeíba 'faith': třeígs 'believing'; vělēna 'sod': dzēltēns 'yellow', etc. In addition, not only Latvian, but also some nonstandard dielects in the north of Lithuania (eg. Salantai, Tverečius) have more than one tone on a word, and, thus, make tonal distinctions even in unstressed syllables.

Finally, the operation of de Saussure's Law (DSL) in Lithuanian also argues for tonal distinctions in unstressed syllables. Kuryłowicz has argued that this rule did not operate in Lithuanian; however, in my opinian, Stang (1966:130–9) has shown convincingly that Kuryłowicz's alternative

proposal cannot be considered plausibly established. DSL shifts stress from a circumflex accent vowel or short vowel to the following syllable if this had an acute accent:

It is unclear what the exact character of the Lithuanian accents was at the point at which this rule operated; for example, whether the distinction was between two different contour tones (falling vs. rising) or between level tones of different heights (high vs. low). Unatever their exact nature, the operation of this rule and the dialectal evidence given above would seem to indicate that at one time Lithuanian must have had more than one accent per word and that the two different kinds of accents were distinguished even in unstressed syllables.

2.2: If, as I suspect, the above situation was true for Common Cast Baltic in general, then this would also be congruent with the explanation generally given (Endzelīns 1920:25-6, Van Dijk 1950:39, Jtang 1966:161) for the origin of the Latvian braken accent.

Those words which in Lithuanian have an scate (falling) root accent that alternates within the paradigm (accent class 3) correspond to words in Latvian which have a broken tone:

	Latvian	Lithuanian
gnat	uôds	ပ်ဝdas, မဝdaí (ဂဝက.pl.)
cover	vāks	vókas, vokaí
clover	dabuols	dóbilas, dobilaí "
thing	daikts	dáiktas, daiktaí "
cold	saîts	šáltas (masc.), šaltà (fem.)
thin	tievs	t <b>évas ", t</b> evà "
heart	sirds	širdìs, šìrdi (acc.sg.)
sod	vçl <del>ç</del> na	volčn <b>a,</b> volćna
intestine	zarna	žarnà, žárną
song	dzi <b>ês</b> ma	giesmé, gíosmę "

On the other hand, those Lithuanian words which have an immobile scute accent on the root (that is, words in which the accent remains fixed on the root syllable throughout the paradigm; accent class 1) correspond in Latvian to words with level tone:

	Latvian	Lithuanian
mother	nāte	mótů
barn	klets	klétis
pea	zirnis	žìrnis
sea	jū̃ra	júra
man	vīrs	výras
milk	piëns	píenas
bush	krūms	krúmas
clay	mãls	mólis
last year	p∰rn	pérnai
to nurse,	ลบัหใช้t	áuklėti

2.3: On the basis of this sort of evidence the usual explanation given for the occurrence of the broken tone (this was first proposed by J. Endzelīns in 1899) is that there was a uniform retraction of stress onto the initial syllable and that those acute (rising toned) syllables

which received stress by this retraction become broken-taned: 11

Since the broken tone did not appear in words where the initial syllable seems (from cognates) to have been short or falling-toned, this would suggest that it was not merely a case of broken tone appearing whenever an initial syllable (regardless of its tone) become stressed, but that the accents were differentiated in the initial syllable even when it was unotressed. Examples:

	Latvian		Lithuanian
	dzenis	woodpecker	ganys
short {	ass	sharp	ašis
	zināt	to know	zinóti
(	svciks	healthy	svaikas
falling <	clest	to suffer	kęsti
	balss	voice	balsas

That this sort of stress-influenced tame change is not unusual in Baltic is apparent from the situation in the Žemaitish (Jamogitian) dialogs of Lithuanian. Žemaitish has a <u>rising-falling</u> into nation that corresponds to the standard Lithuanian rising accent, and a <u>broken</u> tame corresponding to the standard Lithuanian folling tone. In this dialect, the stress was retracted from a circumflex accented syllable or a short vouel to the initial syllable (but a secondary stress was left bonind) and the cowlystressed syllable got a new intenation. If the previously unsuressed syllable was acute, the new initialation is rising (marked by an acute accent), but if it was circumflex, then a 'middle' tone (marked by O ) appears:

	Žemaitish	tish standard Lithogr		enion	
middle tone	gaîdīs doubië	circumîlex (rising)	gaidÿs, duobè,	_	

	Zemaitish		<u>Standard Lithuanian</u>			
	árklīs	acute	arklýs,	árklį	(acc.	sg.)
rising tone	víezīs	(falling)	vėžýs,	vấžị	11	

- 3.0: As far as it goes, Endzelīns' proposal is probably correct, as it can account for a large number of forms. However, there are several problems with it.
- 3.1: First of all, in order for this solution to be both correct and comprehensive, it should be true not only that most movable acute Lithuanian accents correspond to Latvian broken ones, but also that the large majority of Latvian broken accents have corresponding mobile acute accents in Lithuanian. This, however, is not the case; there is a large group of words in Latvian which have broken tones where one would expect the level tone, since their Lithuanian cognates have immobile acute accent (accent class 1);cf. the following examples:

	Latvian		Lithuanian
raft	pluôsts		plúostas
tin	aîva		álvas
butt	piêts		péntis
belt	juosta		júosta
oven	krāsns		krósnis
minister	mācitājs		mókytojas, mokintojas
weight	sluôgs		slúogas
stag	briêdis		bríedis
clk	alnis		élnis
marten	caûne		kiáune
skin	âda .		óda
พอไไ	siêna	.s. s.	síena
berry	uốga		úoga

From a count I made of a fairly random sample of acute-accented words in Lithuanian, I discovered the following statistics: of 79 mobile acute nouns and adjectives (accent class 5), 66 correspond to broken accent nouns

in Latvian, while the other 13 have level tone correspondences. This, of course, is more or less what is expected, since same disagreements can always be anticipated. However, of 72 immobile acutes (accent class 1) only 39 correspond to level accents in Latvian, while 33 correspond to broken accents. Such an almost equal division means that, in this case, the exceptions cannot be lightly dismissed.

To explain this lack of regular correspondence (without abandoning indzelThs' proposal) one can assume either that for some reason a group of level-toned words became broken-toned in Latvian or else that a group of Lithuanian mobile acutes changed accent classes and became immobile (probably after the stress retraction in Latvian had taken place).

Although I cannot a priori rule out the first possibility, there does not seem to be any reason why such a tone change night have occurred in Latvian. In the first place, I can see no phonetic difference between two groups of words; words both regularly and irregularly corresponding to the immobile class seem to have syllables that contain the same vocalic elements:

	regular:		irregular:
Latvian	Lithuanian	Latvian	Lithuanian
til̃ts	tiltas	smilga	smilga
kurpe	kůrpė	muĵķis	můlkis
nīts ∣	nýtis	dzfsla	gýsla
māte	nátě	<del>S</del> da	óda
пиона	núoma	pluosts	plúostes
liĕpa	líepa	sviests	sviestas
saúle	sáulá	ca Înc	kiáune

There also does not seem to be any difference in the deaviness of the syllable involved; both groups contain syllables which are similarly constructed (in terms of the types of consonants which end the syllable):

	regular:		irroqular:
māte	m <b>6</b> tả	sluôta	šlúota
nēness	menuo	siĉia	ຣໂຕາລ

tilts	tiltas	dzęîtę̃ns	geltónas
stirna	stìrna	oî∩is	élnis

Finally, there does not seem to be any semantic difference between the two groups of words; both contain fairly common everyday words of similar categories; of. the following Latvian examples:

	reqular:		irregular:
shoe	kurpe	bolt	juôsta
flour	miîti	berry	uôga
CION	vārna	quail	paîpala
linden	liépa	elm	vîksna
bona	kďúls	sinew	dzîsla
leg	kāja	foot, sole	pę̃da

There is one interesting morphological distribution of these two classes of nouns: in four of the Latvian noun declassion classes the correspandences to the Lithuanian immobile acutes are generally the regular expected level pitch words, but in the other three classes (the -a-, -ja-, and -a- stems) approximately half or more of the correspondences are to the broken tone. Furthermore, in the -a- stem nouns there are almost twice as many nouns (of those corresponding to Lithuanian immobile acutes) with broken tone as with level tone. This major discrepancy in the -a- stems might be explainable by analogy if there were, in general, mosre words in this class corresponding to mobile acutes than to immobile ones. If most of the forms in this class corresponded to Lithuanian mobiles, then one might be able to say that the minority (level-toned = Lith. immobiles) had changed accent by analogy to the majority of Forms (broken-toned = Lith. mabiles). Exactly the opposite is the case: of 27 nouns in this class corresponding to Lithuanian acutes (not an exhaustive computation), 19 correspond to immobiles and only 8 to the mobiles. Any proposed analogy would have to be a change by the major class in the direction of the minor class; this seems unlikely.

In conclusion, it appears that there is neither phonological, semantic

nor morphological evidence for an accent change in the groups of words in question within Latvian.

The alternative possibility can be considered next; namely, unother there is any reason to suspect a change in accent class by the <u>Lithuanian</u> cognates of these unexpectedly broken-toned words. One possible explanation might be that these words have succumbed to a general tendency to regularize the position of the accent in Lithuanian. In an attempt to columnarize the place of the accent, a large number of Lithuanian former nobile ocutes could perhaps have developed immobile root accents, thus becoming identical with accent class I nouns. In such a case, the switch from one accent class to another might have been variable and random, in which case no conditioning would exist.

As it turns out, there are a number of words in present-day Lithuanian which vacillate between accent classes 1 and 3; for example—<u>irklas</u> 'rudder', kliauda/kliauda 'defect', kótas 'handle', lölva/lólis 'fern-oul', sietas 'sieve', <u>Zárna/Zarna</u> 'intestine'. 12 These words do not differ from nan-vacillating words in any way; thus, the difference is, in fact, random. The more existence of such variation between classes 1 and 5 seems to indicate that there has been some sort of general realignment whereby mobile acutes have been transferred to the immobile class. In this case the vacillating forms are a reflection of the historical change in progress.

In addition, there is a historical case of accent class sulft of the type that I am proposing, that took place early in the history of Galto-Slavic, namely Hirt's Law. <sup>15</sup> This law claims that a number of fours which were cognate to Indo-European oxytones (ending stress) shifted accent and became barytones (root stress). Hirt's Law applied only to words which had a long syllable in the root. Some examples shawing its operation in Galtle are given below:

	Latvian	Lithuanian	Greek	Snpskrit
bone	kaŭls	káulas (1)	kaulos	
man	virs	výras (1)		vīrá−s
mother	mãte	mótė (l)		กอีงฮ์
ash tree	uôsis	úosis (l)	axeroi	

smoks	dữmi	dúmai (l)	thūnos dhūmá-s
bread/ heel of loaf	du <mark>o</mark> na	dúona (1)	dhฉักฉ <b>ี</b> -ธ
bridge	ti∏ts	tiltas (1)	tīrthá−m
jointure	juts	jáutis (l)	y <del>ū</del> tí-s

Thus, this accent shift created some new immobile forms which would not otherwise be expected.

However, this law alone cannot account for all cases of immobile accent, as there are a number of forms cognate to Indo-European long stem exytenes which do not have immobile acute accent in Lithuanian:

	Latvian	Lithuanian	Greek	Sanskrit
full	pil̇̃ns	pilnas (3)		pūrņá-s
long	ilgs	ilgas (3)		dīrghá−s
fast	atrs	ātrùs (4)		ātár .
son—in —law	znuốts	žéntas (3)		jñātí−s
thin	tiêvs	tévas (3)	tanaós	
one	viêns	vienas (3)	oinds	
foot	pęda	pėdà (3)	pēdón	
god	dievs	dievas (4)	theos	deva
Mave	viînis	vilnis (4)		ūrmí
slow	lę̃ns	lenas (3)	lēdein	
winter	ziema	žiemà (↓)	kheimon	
sweet	saîds	saldůs (3)	hēdus	svādú

Hirt's Law also appears to have a random lexical distribution; as well it shows that there is a tendency in Baltic towards immobile accent. It may be that this same tendency is exhibited in those forms which are presently in Lithuanian accent class I but correspond to Latvian broken tone.

3.2: The major difficulties with EndzelTns' explanation of the broken tone come from cases where it occurs in <u>non-initial</u> syllables. For example, the broken tone appears on <u>all</u> locative plural endings in Latvian, even in

those cases where no accent ever appears in Lithuanian (i.e. in words which correspond to Lithuanian forms with immobile stem accent):

	Latvion	Lithuanian
in pots	puôduôs	púoduose
in wagons	ratu6s	râtuose
on∕in foet	kājās	kójose
in rivers	upês	ùpése
in markets	tìrguôs	turguosa
in months	mēne <b>šuô</b> s	men <b>e</b> syse

EndzelThs accounts for this by claiming that all locative plural endings have acquired broken accent by analogy with those forms that developed the broken tone by regular phonetic rule; these would be words like vagas 'in furrows', Lith. vagosè, and galvas 'in heads, Lith. galvasè (EndzelThs 1951:42, 1923:27). This implies that the historical Latvian for a word like vagas must have been samething like \*vagasé. Stang (1966: 142-3) speculates that this must have involved a previous stress retraction—

which brought about the broken tone on the inflectional ending, before the general stress retraction to the initial syllable:

This stress retraction to the penultimate syllable does not seem a reasonable if one considers that historically in Latvian all short vowels (except <u>u</u>) were lost in final position (EndzelThs 1971:37-5). In such a case the accent night very well shift from the (disappearing) final vowel to the preceding syllable.

It might also be possible to say that any acute syllable before the stressed one became broken when the stress shifted over it to the initial

syllable; that is, it is not necessary to say that only those ocutes were converted to broken accents which themselves actually were stressed—the mere shift itself might have been enough. Uhile this is possible if one prefers an explanation that has to do with speakers' perceptions of the effect of a stress shift, the phonetically more plausible explanation scens to me to be the one which Stang suggests. I can see no phonetic reason why a stress shift should cause a tone change on a syllable shich was neither originally nor ultimately stressed; on the other hand, it does seem plausible that stress imposed on a previously unstressed syllable (which has a pitch accent) would cause some change in pitch, particularly since stress is normally a complex of intensity, duration, and pitch. In connection with this, there is, of course, the additional evidence that stress retraction had precisely such an effect in Žemaitish (see section 2.3 above).

The preliminary retraction that Stang proposes would have to take the form of a rule that pulls the stress back by one syllable. Although there is no other directly substantiating evidence for such an accent retraction in Latvian, its possible connection with final short vowel loss in Latvian and the fact that a similar retraction has taken place in Žemaitish suggest that Stang's explanation is not unlikely.

3.3: Another difficulty with Endzelins' hypothesis is caused by verbs of two or more syllables which contain a vowel suffix (for example, aûdzināt 'to roise' vs. aûqt 'to grow'; braukāt 'to drive about' vs. braukīt 'to drive, ride'; sedāt 'to be sitting' vs. sest 'to sit down', etc.). These are also called 'characterized' verbs. In these verbs (and in their nominal derivatives in  $-\frac{8}{2}$ and and  $-\frac{12}{12}$ [s/ $-\frac{12}{12}$ ], the final vowel of the verb stem has a broken tone in the infinitive, future stem, supine, and in the future active and preterite active participles. Examples of characterized verb forms with broken tone on the stem vowels  $-\frac{1}{2}$ -,  $-\frac{1}{2}$ -, and  $-\frac{1}{2}$ - are given below:

	infin.	l.sg.fut.	supine	pres.act.ppl.	pres.act.ppl.
furrow	vagāt	vagašu	vagātu	vagādans	vagāts
do	darît	darîšu	darîtu	darīdams	darīts
sleep	gulêt	gu <b>າ</b> ຂີ້ຮັບ	gul <b>ç</b> tu	gulçdams	gulçts
roll	ripuot	ripu <b>o</b> šu	ripuotu	ripuôdams	ripuots

EndzelTns (1951:43, 1923:29) suggests that the broken accent in these forms is the result of generalization from those forms which developed the broken tone by regular phonetic rule (but he does not hazard a guess as to which these regularly derived forms might be <sup>14</sup>). In the first place, for this explanation to be plausible, it would have to be the case that all verb stem vowels were originally acute; otherwise it would have to be an incredibly strong generalization to affect original circumflex accente as well. As it happens, this is actually the case; it is a general fact that in Lithuanian, if the accent falls on the verbal stem suffix, it is invariably acute (Leskien 1919:203). Some examples are:

makéti	to	kaow	koliáuti	to	travel
sapnúoti	to	dream	drebéti	to	tremble
gyvénti	to	live	sádáti	to	sit
turėti	to	have	matýti	to	sea
žinóti	to	know	begióti	to	run
dalýti	to	divide	galváti	to	tnink

In addition, EndzelThs' suggestion assumes that those forms which had broken tone by regular development were in some way the stronger or more unmarked forms, and this would have to be substantiated by additional independent evidence to be considered a valid explanation.

Apart from this, there is an interesting phonological distribution of the broken and level tones on the verbal suffixes: the broken tone occurs only when followed by a consonant  $(\underline{t}, \underline{d}, \underline{s}, \text{ or } \underline{s})$ , while in nost cases the level tone is followed by  $\underline{i}$  and a vowel. The only exceptions are the first and second persons plural (present tense) and the present passive participle of  $-\overline{b}$ - stems;eg.  $\underline{zin\bar{b}m}$  'we know',  $\underline{zin\bar{b}m}$  'known, knowable';  $\underline{dzied\bar{b}m}$  'we are singing',  $\underline{dzied\bar{b}m}$  'you (pl.) are singing',  $\underline{dzied\bar{b}m}$  'singable', etc. If we temperarily ignore the exceptions in the  $-\overline{b}$ - stems, an interesting phonological distribution cases to light. The  $\underline{j}$  that follows the verbal suffix can by synchronically derived as a glide which appears epenthetically between vowels of different morphomes; in any case, when this  $\underline{j}$  is eliminated it can be seen that level tone

appears on a vowel preceding another vowel (therefore, before a hiatus), while broken tone appears on a vowel followed by a consonant (no hiatus):

	no hiatus:		hiatus:
infinitive	mazgát "to wash"	l.sg.pres.	mazŋā́(j)u
l.sg.fut.	mazgāšu	l.sg.pret.	mazg <b>ລີ</b> (j)u
fut.act.ppl.	mazgāšuot	2.pl.imper.	mazgā̃(j)ij̃t
supine	mazgâtu	pres.act.gerund	mazŋā(j)ພ່ິດt
pres.act.ppl.	mazgādams	pres.pass.ppl.	mazgā(j)ams

This observation leads me to suspect that, in at least this particular case, stress shift was not in any way concerned with the occurrence of the broken tone. Nevertheless, it does seem likely that this phonological alternation between the tones could only have been established after broken tone appeared (for example, in words corresponding to mobile acutes in Lithuanian, as EndzelIns suggests).

The exceptions cited above, namely the first and second persons plural and the present passive participle of the -a-stems, belong to what is called the third conjugation (Berzina-Baltina 1946:148-4). In this conjugation, the verb roots are augmented by a vowel suffix in all tenses except the present. Some examples are:

	'guard' ·	'divide'	'hold'
infinitive	sargāt	. dalît	turêt
1.sg.pret.	sargēju	dalij̇́ju	turēju
l.sg.fut.	sargašu	dalîšu	turēšu
conditional	sargātu	dalitu	turçtu
l.sg.pres.	sargu	dalu	turu
l.pl.pres.	sargam	dalām	turam
	( <u>-ā</u> − stem)	( <u>-च</u> − stem)	( <u>-i</u> - stem)

If the verbal stem vowel were the same as the thematic vowel which appears in the present stem, one would expect \*dalīm, not dalām for the first person plural. Thus, it appears that the -a- stem forms in this

conjugation have retained level accent on the  $\overline{a}$  of the first and second persons plural and present passive participle because this is the thematic vowel denoting the verb stem class (historically) and not the vowel suffix of the characterized verb. If we assume that the observation made above (level tone before a vowel, broken tone before a consenant) applies only to verb stem vowels, these forms are not exceptional.

3.4 Another problem arises with derivational suffixes. There are an approximately equal number of suffixes  $^{16}$  with level and broken tone:

-uots	-cjs/-cjo
-aks	
	-(i)ničks/-(i)ničco
-Îgs	-ičtis/-ičte
-ç̃ks	-tajs/-taja
-uôklis	<del>-</del> ç̄ns
-êklis	-ions
-Îklis/-Îkla	-çts
-âkl(i)s/-âklo	-Îtis/-Îte
-âds	-ī́ba
-อวิกร/-อวิกอ	-ans
-u6n(i)s	<b>-</b> ājs
	-iëne
	-īns (dialectal)
	-ius (distactai)

When compared with corresponding suffixes in Lithuanian, it appears that only the suffixes with level tone in Latvian (and not all of these) correspond regularly according to EndzelTis' rule. Some examples of the regular correspondences between level pitch suffixes and Lithuanian immobile acute suffixes are given below:

Latv	ian	Lichuanian	
-ējs/-ēja		-ėjas/-ėja (1)	
aûdējs	weaver	audėjas (l)	weaver
-ība		-ýbċ/-ýbɔ (l)	
dzī̃vī̃ba	life	gyvýbė (l)	life
ganības	pasture	ganýba (l)	posture

-Ttis/-Tto		-ýtis/-ýtė (l)	
brāli̇̃tis	little brother	brolýtis (1)	little brother
saulīte	sun (dimin.)	saulýtė (l)	sun (dimin.)
-iene		-íenė (1)	
karaliëne	queen	karalíené (l)	dnosu
-ans		-ónas (1)	
dzęîtāns	yellow	geltónas (1)	yellow

Other Lithuanian suffixes which correspond regularly  $\frac{17}{2}$  are  $\frac{1}{2}$  are  $\frac{$ 

The exceptions to Endzelīns' rule fall into three categories; first, those suffixes with broken tone (instead of falling tone) which correspond to Lithuanian circumflex—accented suffixes:

Latvia	<u>n</u>	<u>Lithuanian</u>	
-ains/-aina miglains		-ainis/-aina (2) ašakainis (2)	(or (4) ) having fish bones
-oklis biêdeklis		-ćklis/-ékle/-ék	lai (2)
-âkl(i)s/-â		turĉklai (2) -oklis/-oklė (2)	
vazāklis	vagrant	žvejoklis (2)	
−uôklis dzîvuôklis	apartment	-ບິດີklis/-ບິດີklė ( rijuõklis (2)	
-îklis/-îkl ganîkla		−ÿklis/−ÿklas/−ÿ baidÿklė (2)	

The second group consists of forms that also correspond to Lithuanian circumflex-accented suffixes but that have  $\underline{level}$  accent in Latvian:

-ietis/-iete		-iếtis/-iếtė (2)		
latgaliẽtis	person from	ka⊔niẽtis (2)	person	from
	Latgale		Kaunas	

-õnas (2)

līkāns bent-over man valdonas (2) ruler

kuocins little tree langynas (2) small window

According to Stang (1966:164) it is likely that Lithuanian derivational suffixes with a circumflex accent on the penultimate (long) vowel (as in both groups above) have acquired this circumflex accent by a late rule. The evidence for this claim comes partly from the accent alternations which can occur in such suffixes. For example, the suffix -ýbė (1) can also have circumflex accent: -ýbė (2); thus, inaddition to gražýbė (1) 'beauty', occasionally also gražýbė (2) occurs. As well, there are a number of cases of metatony of the suffixes; that is, there are a number of derivational suffixes which have identical segmental phonological form but different pitch accents (and morphological and/or semantic functions). Some of these are -ohas (2): -ónas (1); -okas (2): -ókas (1); -ýnas (2): -ýnas (1); and -úne (2): -úne (1).

Even if Stang's hypothesis is correct, he does not directly state what the accent could have been before the 'circumflexation' rule applied. However, we can infer from forms like -onas (2): -onas (1), etc. (and assume that such a rule would change tone but not mobility), that the Lithuanian suffixes of the two exceptional groups cited above probably had immobile acute accent. In this case, the Latvian suffixes of the second group would correspond correctly, but those of the first group would wtill be a problem.

Stang (1966:143) suggests that suffixes of the form  $-\frac{2}{6}$ klis,  $-\frac{2}{1}$ klis,

-aklis, and -uoklis in the first group might have developed broken accent under the influence of the verbs from which the nominal forms are derived. This is not unlikely, especially since in most cases the initial vowel of the suffix in the derived word is the same as the verb stem suffix vowel:

dzīvuôt	to live	dzīvuôklis	apartment
biêdêt	to frighten	biêdêklis	scarccrow
kavēt	to delay	kavēklis	hindrance
vazāt	to drag about	vazāklis	vagabond
gan <b>î</b> t	to herd	ganîkla	pasture
àrdît	to unravel,	ardıklis	two pronged hay fork

Even in those cases where the vowel of the verb stem and the initial vowel of the suffix are not the same (eg. davzīties (reflexive) 'to romp, gad about': davzēklis 'vagabond'; supuot 'to rock, swing': supakles 'swing'), it is still the case that the vowel of the verb stem has broken accent. This, of course, is a result of the alternation discussed in section 3.3, whereby broken tone developed on verb stem vowels before consonants. The fact that the verb stem vowel has probably influenced the vowel of the nominal suffix to take on broken tone would seem to indicate a general progressive spread of usage of the broken tone (that is, from acute mobile roots to characterized verb stem vowels to derivational suffix vowels).

Finally, the third group of exceptions contains suffixes with broken accent in Latvian that correspond to immobile acute Lithuanian forms:

	Latvian	Lithuanian	
-îgs/-îga		-ingas/-inga (1	)
laĭmīgs	hарру	laimingas (1)	Парру
-uôts/-uô		-úotos/-úota (1) ragúotas (1)	horned
−âds viônâds	the same	-ódas (1) vienódas (1)	the same
−âks lobâks	better	-ókas (1) gerókas (1)	moderately good
−çks pçlçks	gray	-ėkas (1) polėk <sub>a</sub> s (1)	gray

These exceptions are similar to the ones like puods, ada, sluota, etc. (discussed in section 3.1) in that one would expect level tone (by Endzel-Ins' rule), since these forms correspond to Lithuanian immobile acutes. At present, I have no evidence suggesting accent class shift on the part of the Lithuanian forms; however, it appears that some of the Latvian suffixes in this group (and also in the first group of exceptions) may originally have had falling tone. It is an interesting fact about Latvian derivational suffixes that there appear to be no such suffixes which had biguously have falling tone—all have alternate forms with broken tone:

_	^	<u> </u>	^
-aks s	^ -āks	-āklis	-âklis
>	-Îns	-īklis	<u> </u>
-1gs 4	∽ -lgs	-iklis	-fklis
<b>&gt;</b> .	~ - Eks		
-eks 4	∽ēks		

This suggests a tendency towards maintaining only two accents (level and broken) in the derivational suffixes, whereby the falling tone is being eliminated in favour of the broken tone. This is yet another expression of what seems to me to be an overall tendency toward a secondary generalization of broken tone. It may be that, since the broken tone is apparently the most recently derived of the pitch accents, it has acquired the role of the

productive accent (this is reminiscent of Kuryłowicz's fourth law of analogy, which states that new formations tend to take on the primary function of a word). In any event, the broken tone does seem to be unexpectedly prevalent. There are additional cases of non-initial broken tone that I have not attempted to dealwith; however, these also include cases that do not follow regularly from EndzelTns' formulation. Further research is needed to determine the source of broken tone in these cases.

The foregoing investigation leads to a number of conclusions about the broken tone in Latvian. First, the hypothesis proposed by EndzelThs requires considerable revision. While his proposal appears essentially correct for a large number of cases of broken tone on root initial syllables, there is a large set of nouns and adjectives with broken tone which it does not account for. Kuryłowicz (1850:340) suggested that these exceptions were probably the result of some changes in Lithuanian rather than Latvian. This investigation has more specifically shown that an accent shift could not have taken place in Latvian, but that there is definited evidence for a tenency towards immobilization of accent in Lithuanian which would account for these exceptions.

Further, it appears that when Endzelīns' hypothesis is applied to cases of broken tone on non-initial syllables, even more discrepancies occur. His proposal is workable for cases of broken tone on the locative plural endings only if one posits an additional accent retraction rule. Furthermore, neithe the verbal stem suffixes nor the derivational suffixes appear to have acquired broken tone by Endzelīns' rule but by completely unrelated phonological and morphological processes.

Finally, there appears to have been a tendency in Latvian to secondarily generalize the broken tone. Once this tone originated, it seems to have been favoured over both the level and falling tones, perhaps as a result of a tendency to give primary use to a newly developed marker.

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Second syllable stress occurs (i) in superlatives: vislabakais; (ii) on numerals with pus-: pusdivi 'one and a half', and (iii) in certain adverbial compounds: arvien 'always', nekūr 'nowhere', gandrīz 'almost', nekād 'never', etc. For a fuller description see Bērziņa-Baltiņa 1946:32 of Endzelīns 1923:18.

 $^{\rm Z}{\rm I}$  will use these two terms indiscriminately to refer to the same phenomenon.

 $^3$  One exception to this is if there is a VRC sequence where the C is the  $-\underline{s}$  or  $-\underline{s}$  of the nominative singular masculine. Historically this suffix was  $-\underline{as}$  pr  $-\underline{is}$ , and a new accent was not introduced after the lass of the vowel.

<sup>4</sup>The boundaries of the tonal dialects and the divisions based on segmental phonology are not the same, but they do follow the same general division into west, central, and eastern dialects. Whenever a term is used designating one of the three areas, it refers to the tonal dialect, not to the segmental dialect area.

<sup>5</sup>For a more datailed discussion of the dialectal differences see EndzelTns 1951:39–41 and Laua 1969:111.

 $^{6}$  In Old Prussian short vowels plus tautosyllabic resonants were apparently also able to carry tone; thus  $\overline{\text{VRC}}$  denotes a falling tone in this environment.

 $^{7} \mbox{Unless otherwise indicated, all of the English glosses give only the meanings of the Latvian words.$ 

 $^{\rm B}\! A$  grave accent on a short vowel followed by a tautosyllabic resonant is used to indicate a falling tone in this environment.

 $^9\mathrm{For}$  examples see the discussion of Žemaitish tone shift in section 2.3 below.

This may have been as a result of the influence of the surrounding and substratum Finno-Ugric peoples—the Estomians and Livonians (Ludvigs Vīks, personal communication).

11 LH = rising tone, LHL = broken tone. Miparsky 1970:800 states that the broken tone "clearly originates as a falling tone". This is definitely incorrect, as the correspondences given earlier in section 1.0 clearly show. It is easy to be misled by the correlation between Latvian broken tone and Lithuanian falling tone, but it would appear that the falling character of Lithuanian scute accent is an independent development within the language.

12 These forms are taken from Kuryłowicz 1953:339-69 and the two dictionaries by the Lietuvos T.S.R. Moksly Akademija, (1972) and (1973).

- $^{13}\mathrm{I}$  would like to thank Lee Becker for bringing this 'law' to my notice. Its effect in Lithuanian is mentioned in Kiparsky 1973:828, fn. 21, and discussed in detail in Illiž-Svityž 1963:78–86.
- <sup>14</sup>This is difficult to ascertain, since all verbs in Lithuanian are immobile (except for the accent shift caused by de Saussure's Law); thus, there are no examples of final accent in any of these forms.
- $^{15}{\rm EndzelThs}$  (1938:21, 1951:43) merely describes the level tone as accurring before <u>j</u> which is either still present or was present historically.
- <sup>16</sup>I have not included a number of suffixes because their pitch occent is uncertain; these are: -uojs, -ins, -uns, -ims, -eks, -ats, -its, and -aits.
- 17 I have not included those suffixes for which the accentuation is uncertain, such as -uonis (Ja) or (Jb), and -unas (1) or (2), or for which the accentuation varies regularly, such as -ininkas/-ininke ( (1) if the root is (1) or (2), but (2) if the root is (3) or (4) ), or on which the accent never appears, such as -tojas/-toja.

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### A NOTE ON DIPHTHONGIZATION

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- 0. Within Romance linguistics the diphthongs present a problem of long standing both for what concerns the cause of their existence and the way in which they developed in their phonetic reality. Particularly the difference between the falling diphthongs (e.g. OFr. <u>éy</u> from VLt. <u>é</u>) and the rising ones (e.g. OFr. <u>yé</u> from VLt. <u>e</u>) has caused extensive debate (cf. Spore 1972). This note attempts to formulate the basic issue at stake in the Romance phenomenon of diphthongization and to consider them in the light of various interesting approaches to diphthongization put forward in the recent literature.
- I. Three different attempts at elucidating diphthongization -Labov, Yaeger and Steiner (1972) (henceforth LYS); Andersen (1972); Stampe
  (1972) -- all appeared in the same year. A brief summary of these studies
  will make it possible to appreciate their importance with respect to the
  Romance problem.

In LYS the emphasis is put on the empirical foundations of the surface phonetic description of diphthongs in connection with their sociolinguistic embedding (variation, variable conditioning, and apparent time evolution within the various dimensions in one speech community). The ensuing framework hypothesizes general tendencies for vowels understood as being locked into a system subject to chainshifts which involves both monophthongs and diphthongs. So-called peripheral vowels ({+peripheral} is one manifestation of {+tense}, i.e. extreme vocalic articulation in terms of extreme F1 and F2 values compared with 'normal' articulations of the same vowels) are distinguished from non-peripheral (=lax) ones. Within vocalic subsystems (monophthongs, diphthongs of various kinds), three basic tendencies are identified as relevant in chainshifts:

- (1) (a) peripheral vowels rise (e.g. e: > i: )
  - (b) non-peripheral vowels fall in upgliding diphthongs (e.g.  $\underline{iy} > \underline{ey} > \underline{ey}$ )
  - (c) back vowels become fronted (e.g.  $\underline{u} > \underline{\ddot{u}} > \underline{\dot{u}}$ ) (p. 106/7)

Three additional principles define vocalic behavior across different subsystems in situations of chainshift:

- (2) (a) tense/long vowels may develop inglides while rising from mid to high (cf. (la); e.g. e: > i:ð )
  - (b) high ingliding vowels become monophthongized (excluding the ones from (2a)), non-low tense monophthongs become upgliding diphthongs (e.g. <u>i:</u><sup>3</sup> > <u>i:</u>; <u>e:</u> > <u>e(:)y</u>)
  - (c) maximally open upgliding diphthongs may become tense/long monophthongs (e.g.  $\underline{a(:)y} > \underline{e:}$  or  $\underline{a:}$ ) (p. 228)

The crucial aspect of this framework describing vocalic space is the fact that the monophthongal and the diphthongal manifestations of vowels are lumped together into one coherent system subject to chainshifts within each subsystem or across such subsystems (cf. p.219; Fig.5-1,2). As the principles in (2) state there is mobility between ingliding, upgliding, and monophthongal forms of vowels; the rising diphthongs are also comprised in the picture, but, as their absence from (2) indicates, they remain marginal in LYS.

Andersen (1972) sees diphthongization as a much broader phenomenon, including not just the commonly accepted vowel-plus-glide manifestations, but all intrasegmental variation affecting syllabics and syllable slopes. He defines diphthongization as intrasegmental variation of an otherwise distinctive feature ranging over its two polar values in such a way that the unmarked value of this feature in the given context is always first (23), and the marked value follows in second position within the heterogeneous segment. This primary (phonetic) diphthongization may be followed by phonological polarization such that the originally single segment changes to a sequence of segments. Concentrating on the vocalic diphthongs involving a glide, the intrasegmental distribution principle of 'unmarked - marked', plus an auxiliary principle identifying the more sonorous element of the diphthongal se-

quence as the normal center of syllabic intensity ('intensity shift', 24), assure a particular linear order for the glide in relation to the vowel. For a phonetic diphthongization yielding the segmental diphthongs  $(\underline{ei})$ ,  $(\underline{ee})$ ,  $(\underline{ee})$  this system predicts the respective surface interpretations  $(\underline{ei})$ :  $\{\underline{ee}\}$  >  $\{\underline{ee}\}$ 

The framework of Natural Phonology (cf. Stampe 1969) organizes vowels basically in the space formed by the axes of sonority (high - mid - low vowels; i.e.  $\underline{i}$  -  $\underline{e}$  -  $\underline{e}$ ; or  $\underline{u}$  -  $\underline{o}$  -  $\underline{oe}$ ) and of color (palatal-labial; four chromatic types are defined: (1) achromatic = non-palatal, non-labial; e.g.  $\underline{i}$ ,  $\gamma$ ,  $\Lambda$ ; (2) monochromatic = labial; e.g.  $\underline{u}$ ,  $\underline{o}$ ,  $\underline{o}$ ; (3) monochromatic = palatal; e.g.  $\underline{i}$ ,  $\underline{e}$ ,  $\underline{e}$ ; (4) bichromatic = palatal and labial; e.g.  $\underline{u}$ ,  $\underline{o}$ ,  $\underline{oe}$ ). The fundamental tendencies of vowels in this space are described by innate processes such as raising (preferably affecting chromatic vowels; e.g.  $\underline{ei}$  >  $\underline{ei}$  >  $\underline{ii}$ 3), lowering (affecting achromatic vowels; e.g.  $\underline{ii}$  >  $\underline{hi}$  >  $\underline{hi}$  >  $\underline{hi}$  ), bleaching (affecting lax vowels preferentially; e.g.  $\underline{ii}$  >  $\underline{ii}$ ,  $\underline{ou}$  >  $\underline{hu}$ ), and a number of other such processes (cf. Miller 1972). Circumscribed by these natural tendencies of monophthongal vowels the phenomenon of context-free diphthongization is described by Stampe by the formulation in (3):

(3) Diphthongization 4

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ccc} \text{chromatic} & \text{!high} \\ & V & \text{!tense} \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow \left\{ \text{-tense} \right\} \left\{ \text{-syl} \right\}$$

i.e., the higher and tenser a chromatic vowel, the more likely it is that such a syllabic segment may split up into a lax syllabic phase followed by a non-syllabic segment. The primary effect of this diphthongization is the sequential polarization of sonority vs. color characteristics of the source monophthong. Some such diphthongizations include e.g. e: > ei , i: > ii , o: > ou , u: > uu , etc. The non-syllabic segment will keep its optimum shape of a glide for accentuating color, whereas the syllabic segment will follow the path of normal vowels in terms of potential bleaching, lowering, and other such processes (cf. the illustrations under these headings above). In the Great Vowel Shift of English, Stampe (1972:583) postulates evolutionary chains such as the one in (4):

(4) i: > ii > ei > Ai > ai

involving the steps diphthongization > lowering > bleaching > lowering

These three approaches outlined above are motivated by largely different underlying questions, and they describe only partially overlapping data. In particular, they differ in their account of the characteristics of the different types of vocalic diphthongs: Only LYS distinguish clearly between ingliding, upgliding, and rising diphthongs, whereas in Stampe (1972) only upgliding diphthongs are mentioned; Andersen (1972) treats again all three types, but he assigns totally different underlying causes to ingliding vs. upgliding and rising diphthongs. To what extent then can these approaches offer insight into the Romance problem of upgliding vs. rising diphthongs? For the purpose of discussing this question, it will be useful to introduce here the necessary basic data from the history of the Romance languages.

- II. From the Vulgar Latin vowel system<sup>6</sup> (which is at the basis of most Romance languages: cf. (5)), characterized by three vocalic heights with one front and one back series, the two chromatic low vowels, stressed and 9, underwent generally diphthongization to yé and wé respectively at an early time (arguably starting not later than between III and V century AD; cf. Spore 1972:306-24). The relevant language-specific conditions for the application of this diphthongization rule are given in (6).
- (5) VLt. stressed vowels / i e e a o o u / Diphthongization: é > yé; é > wé
- (6) Conditions for Diphthongization
  - (a) everywhere under stress (e.g. Castilian)
  - (b) in open syllable under stress (e.g. French, Italian)
  - (c) before high vowel (segment) under stress (e.g. Southern Italian)

The examples in (7) illustrate the different possibilities with typified forms.

- (7) (a) é, ó in open syllable before non-high final vowel:
  - VLt. péde > Cast. p{yé}; It. p{yé}de; Fr. p{yé}: SIt. p{é}de
  - VLt. r\u00e9ta > Cast. r\u00e7v\u00e9la; It. r\u00e7v\u00e9lta; (OFr. c\u00e7v\u00e9lr from VLt. \u00e9c\u00e9re);
    SIt. r\u00e9\u00e9ta
  - (b) §, § in open syllable before high vowel7:
  - VLt. býnu > Cast. b{wé}no It. b{wý}no SIt. b{wý}nu, b{ú}nu
  - (c) §, § in checked syllable before non-high final vowel:
  - VLt. fésta > Cast. f{yé}sta; It. f{é}sta: Fr. f{é}te SIt. f{é}sta
  - VLt. gróssa > Cast. gr(wé)sa; It. gr(ó)ssa; Fr. gr(ó)sse; SIt. gr(ó)ssa
  - (d) é, ó in checked syllable before high vowel:
  - VLt. véntu > Cast. v{yé}nto; It. v{é}nto; SIt. v{yé}ntu,v{í}ntu
  - VLt. gr\(\phi\)ssu > Cast. gr\(\psi\)\(\phi\)so; It. gr\(\phi\)sso Fr. gr\(\phi\)ss SIt. gr\(\psi\)\(\phi\)ssu

The environmental conditions in (6a-c) are widely different since they refer to syllable type (cf. (6b)), to phonetic content of contextual segments (cf. (6c)), and to general absence of segmental regulatory environments (cf. (6a)). In addition, in languages characterized by environmental restrictions of type (6a) or (6b), a segmental environment typical of umlaut i.e. a following high segment  $\underline{y}$ , prevents diphthongization of  $\underline{\xi}$  and  $\underline{\xi}$ . These were apparently raised to  $\underline{e}$  and  $\underline{o}$  respectively, removing them from the scope of the (later) diphthongization rule. Thus the umlauting environment operates both as a trigger for diphthongization (in languages of type (6c)), and as a prohibitive condition in other languages (cf. (8)).

(8) VLt. f $\phi$ lya > Cast. h $\{\phi\}$ ja, not \* h $\{\psi\}$ ja OProv. f $\{\psi\}$ lha, not \*f $\{\phi\}$ lha in certain dialects

The important aspect of this diphthongization is that whatever the language-particular situation, if there was diphthongization of  $\underline{\xi}$ ,  $\underline{\zeta}$ , it is generally not possible to document or even reasonably reconstruct a primitive stage where the result of the initial diphthongization would have been an ingliding or an upgliding diphthong: thus it must be assumed that these cases started out already as rising diphthongs.

A smaller number of Romance languages (a subset of those which un-

derwent the diphthongization of  $\underline{\xi}$ ,  $\underline{\phi}$ ) knew a second, later round of diphthongizations affecting the mid vowels  $\underline{e}$ ,  $\underline{o}$ , less frequently  $\underline{a}$ , rarely  $\underline{i}$ ,  $\underline{u}$ . The first results here show invariably upgliding diphthongs ( $\underline{e}$  >  $\underline{e}\underline{i}$ ,  $\underline{o}$  >  $\underline{o}\underline{u}$ ). The environmental condition is uniform in that this diphthongization happens in open syllable under stress as in (9).

(9) VLt. véla > OFr. v{éy}le > v{бy}le VLt. amóre > OFr. am{ów}r VLt. páne > OFr. p{áy}n

The crucial question is whether this primordial difference between rising and upgliding diphthongal results is significant, i.e. why there are (almost) no cases of  $\underline{\acute{e}} > \underline{\acute{e}} \underline{v}$  and/or  $\underline{\acute{e}} > \underline{v}\underline{\acute{e}}$ . Or must it be attributed to chance that the results look as they do in Romance?

Within Romance linguistics, F. Schürr developed an interpretation of this problem in a series of articles and monographs. 10 He argues that the difference between the ascending and the descending diphthongs (rising vs. upgliding) is highly significant: As demonstrated by the uniform environment of the open syllable for the falling diphthongs, only this situation can be regarded a 'spontaneous' diphthongization not triggered by any directly identifiable segmental context (taking syllable level information such as stress to be non-segmental). The reason for this spontaneous diphthongization is to be sought in the attested lengthening of stressed vowels in open syllable. On the other hand the ascending diphthongs from \(\xi\), \(\xi\) are claimed to be the result of segmental environmental induction, namely by the following high vowel as in (6c) (either Cl.Lt. -i or -u or else y). But for Schürr all diphthongization of e, o in Romance started out as a type (6c) umlauting diphthongization 11 with subsequent heavy restructuring of the environment to yield in addition to some preserved specimens of umlaut diphthongization (such as part of the Southern Italian dialects) also the more widespread generalized diphthongizations (6a) and (6b) (e.g. Spanish and Italian, respectively). The phonetic function, and thus the origin, of the breaking of the vowel into a rising diphthong would be the anticipation of the high articulation of the (usually) final vowel across one

syllable into the initial phase of the stressed syllable, actually a type of glide insertion process resulting from a persistent slip of the tongue (cf. Fromkin 1971). Schürr's two crucial claims then are that umlaut must yield a rising diphthong (if the result is a diphthong at all), and that spontaneous diphthongization is always falling (presumably upgliding or ingliding).

Fitting Schürr's account of Romance diphthongization into either the framework of Natural Phonology or of LYS leads to the recognition that there is general agreement as to the spontaneous/natural diphthongization: It is due to lengthening/tensing/peripherality, and it leads to upgliding diphthongs, at least for the mid vowels under discussion here (cf. (3) and (2c) above). For the Romance ascending diphthongs the provisions of Natural Phonology are (not yet) sufficient if it should be the case that this umlaut diphthongization of e, o represents a universally valid tendency (=natural process) for vowels; in the absence of any compelling evidence it might be better to assume that we are dealing with an idiosyncratic aspect of the Romance situation, a non-natural rule of unknown origin: In this way it would be comprehensible why this change affects exclusively low chromatic vowels (and not {!high} ones as postulated in (3)), and why it yields the reverse order for the syllabic and the non-syllabic elements in the resulting diphthong. LYS are not able to offer much more help either: The subsystem of rising diphthongs is claimed to be connected to the one of ingliding vowels (cf. Fig.5-1,2 and corresponding discussion 226-8), but the supporting data are taken from Romance and are consequently not independently convincing (226). For LYS the speculative origin of yf from f might be as in (10):

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by ingliding, raising of peripheral vowels, syllabicity adjustment Whatever the justification of this chain of changes in general (the same hypothetical evolution has some currency in Romance linguistics, cf. Alarcos Llorach 1968:222-4; cf. also the mentioned variation in the Southern Italian results in (7)) this type of evolution cannot be accepted as correct for all those Romance languages which preserved the original distinction between é and é, orand é even in the diphthongs: Italian shows {yé} and

{w\u00e9}, not \*{\u00e9\u00e9} and \*{\u00e9\u00e9}. Clearly an explanation or even adequate description is lacking. On the other hand, for what concerns Natural Phonology, it is important to take into consideration that this framework is able to make correct predictions as to the evolution of the syllabic segment not only of upgliding diphthongs (for which it is adapted) but also for rising ones (which it does not recognize otherwise); coloring, raising, lowering, bleaching can be transposed from the 'natural history' of one type of vocalic subsystem (in the sense of LYS) to another. Thus in Castilian, the diphthongization of 6, 6 results in yé and wé; but the result wé is not immediate. Older stages of Castilian, and still modern phases of surrounding dialects (cf. Menéndez Pidal 1950:121-39,144-52), show the alternate manifestations wó, wá, wố, sometimes even in free variation. Beside yé there is dialectally also yá attested, however not "yó. These alternate forms can be understood as the result of an evolution  $\frac{1}{2}$  >  $\frac{1}{2}$  >  $\frac{1}{2}$  by the processes of diphthongization, bleaching, and lowering. In a parallel way the back series would consist in this chain: Q > wQ > wA > wa or we by the processes of diphthongization, bleaching, and lowering or coloring: we > wo by color assimilation (?) (cf. Stampe 1972 and Miller 1972, 1973 for similar evolutionary chains concerning falling diphthongs). Thus the validity of he predictions about the evolution of the syllabic elements in diphthongs does not depend in this framework on the linear arrangement of the vowel and the glide elements. For LYS the single subsystems are more autonomous in terms of being subject to different particular processes, i.e. in their interpretation a falling diphthong, consisting of V G, and a rising one, G V, usually do not exhibit the same evolutionary behavior for what concerns the vowel; rather the subsystem difference is more crucial (cf. LYS 1972:219-28). Yet the same range of surface variation in the manifestations of rising diphthongs can be described in the LYS approach as in Stampe's. In LYS the evolution of wo to we would be understood more as a chainshift (wo , wa > wa > wae > we > we) consisting of non-peripheral lowering followed by peripheral raising of the syllabic element (cf. their pattern 1; Fig.4-1) according to the principle (lc) that back vowels get fronted. This same principle also accounts for the non-attested result \*yo from e : front vowels do not get backed without specific circumstances. So for both Natural Phonology and LYS the major problem is the unsolved origin of the rising diphthongs of Romance, and the fact that these diphthongizations do not constitute generally a fragment of a larger, coherent chainshift involving vowels.

Andersen's account presents another problem with respect to the Romance data. For any diphthongization it must first be determined which distinctive feature is at the basis of the phonetic polarization. Consider the specifications for  $\underline{e}$  and  $\underline{e}$  as Andersen (1972) would present them: 12

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(11) e : {+vocalic; +tns: -dif; -comp: -grv; -flat}
    e : {+vocalic; +tns; -dif: +comp; -grv: -flat}
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The resulting phonetic diphthongs include thus all of the manifestations shown in (12).

(12) (a) Possible segmental diphthongs  $^{13}$  from VLt.  $/\acute{e}/$  consisting in the phonetic diphthongization of:

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{+vocalic} → {+voc} {-voc} (eg)

{+tense} → {+tns} {-tn$} (eg)

{-diffuse} → {+dif} {-dif} (ie)

{-compact} → {+com} {-com} (eg)

{-grave} → (-grv) {+grv} (eg)

{-flat} → {-flt} {+flt} (eö)
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(b) Possible segmental diphthongs from VLt.  $/\epsilon/$  consisting in the phonetic diphthongization of:

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اووا
{+vocalic} → {+voc} {-voc}
                                   (ea)
{+tense} → {+tns} {-tns}
                                   (ei)
{-diffuse}
           → {-dif} {+dif}
                                   (ee)
{+compact}
           → {+com} {-com}
                                   (el)
           + {-grv} {+grv}
{-grave}
                                    (eoe)
           → {-flt} {+flt}
{-flat}
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These results are not encouraging, since the only forms which could phonetically be interpreted to yield  $\underline{ey}$  for the upgliding and  $\underline{ye/yg}$  for the rising diphthongs of Romance are the diffuseness polarization of  $/e/ > \{ie\}$  and the diffuseness or compactness diphthongizations of  $/e/ > \{ge\} > \{gi\}$ . But for Romance the situation should be reversed so that /g/ yields the

rising and /e/ the upgliding diphthong! Possibly this is due to an imperfection in the feature system employed; consider e.g. the consequence of replacing the feature (twocalic) with (tsyllabic). A phonetic diphthongization along this axis will naturally yield the series of upgliding diphthongs  $\underline{i}$  >  $\underline{i}\underline{i}$  >  $\underline{i}\underline{y}$  ;  $\underline{e}$  >  $\underline{e}\underline{e}$  >  $\underline{e}\underline{y}$  ;  $\underline{e}$  >  $\underline{e}\underline{e}$  >  $\underline{e}\underline{y}$  . On the assumption of a different markedness status of syllabicity the diphthongization of /e/ could even yield the rising diphthong ye :  $\underline{e}$  >  $\underline{e}$  >  $\underline{e}$  >  $\underline{e}$  >  $\underline{v}$  . However the problems with this account of diphthongs are numerous: The validity of the feature system, the correctness of the markedness distribution, and the indeterminacy as to which distinctive feature produces an actual diphthong (cf the diffuseness and compactness diphthongizations in (12b)) -- all three of these independently hypothetical components of phonological structure are simultaneously open to criticism. Thus it will not be possible to come to any coherent conclusion about diphthongization due to the number of uncontrolled covariables. 14 The one feature where Andersen's account seems to be more motivated than either Stampe's or LYS's is that Andersen is not forced to treat diphthongization as a fragment of a chainshift in the vocalic space: This is exactly the situation of Romance é, ó.

There are some interesting data bearing on the issue of the IV. spontaneity/naturalness of rising vs. upgliding diphthongs in Romance. Straka (1959) presents evidence that in French, Czech, and other languages the effect of (extreme) lengthening of vowels in open syllable is to break these overlong (={!tense}) vowels in such a way as to produce an offglide which consists in a raised articulation after (-low) vowels, i.e. producing an upgliding diphthong, and in a lowered articulation after {+low} vowels, i.e. producing an ingliding diphthong; thus  $\underline{i::}$  >  $\underline{i:i}$  >  $\underline{i:i}$  ;  $\underline{e::}$  >  $\underline{e:e}$  > e:i ; but e:: > e:ae > e:a ; etc. All such diphthongs are falling (upgliding or ingliding) as predicted by Schürr and stated by Stampe. Straka interprets this situation to mean that diphthongization, if spontaneous, produces falling diphthongs the difference between the upgliding and the ingliding results of (-low) vs. {+low} vowels is claimed to be the starting point for the end result of rising diphthongs from the {+low} vowels. Straka thus postulates an intimate relationship between ingliding and rising diphthongs,

in the same way as LYS (cf. (2) above, and their Fig.5-1,2). An example of such spontaneous diphthongization producing ingliding manifestations for  $\underline{c}$ ,  $\underline{o}$  is offered by Schürr (1918-19.II:50-3).

(13) Spontaneous diphthongization of 9, 9 in Modern Romagnolo (SE corner of Po basin, Italy)

(a) /  $\notin$  / Imola: frad $\{$   $\in$   $\}$   $\}$  , burd $\{$   $\in$   $\}$   $\}$  frad $\{$   $\in$   $\}$   $\}$   $\}$  burd $\{$   $\in$   $\}$   $\}$   $\}$ 

Ravenna: frad $\{\dot{\xi}^{\partial}\}$ l,  $t\{\dot{\xi}^{\partial}\}$ ra (countryside)

Meldola:  $b\{\xi:\}1$  or  $b\{\xi^{\partial}\}1$ ;  $b\{\xi:\}1a$  or  $b\{\xi^{\partial}\}1a$ 

Cesena: frad{áe}l, burd{áe}l, b{áe}l(a)

(b) /6/ Imola: k{6:}1 , n{6:}ster
Forlì: k{á:}1 , n{6:}ster

Imola:  $k\{\phi:\}l$  or  $k\{\phi^{\partial}\}l$ ,  $n\{\phi:\}ster$  or  $n\{\phi^{\partial}\}ster$ 

(countryside)

For Schürr it is however clear that this type of diphthongization cannot lead to a rising diphthong (cf. Schürr 1918-19.II:1-180). But this claim cannot be upheld in the face of some other data from Southern France (dialect of Quérigut). This particular local dialect of Provençal described by Séguy (1954) shows spontaneous diphthongization of its vowels  $\underline{e}$ ,  $\underline{q}$  under length and stress. The results vary on an intra-speaker and intra-item basis between a monophthong and a full rising diphthong. Consider the data in (14).

(14) Diphthongization in Quérigut (Provençal): 15

(a) / \& /	pikar:èl , kür:è , p:è p.è	{ ; }
	pe:è , küre::è	{e¢:}
	sulyé::è , küré::è	{e¢:}
	(no examples)	{yé:}
(ъ) /ф/	k:òp , m.òrt , :òli	{6:}
	ratiso:òm , ak:o:òa	{09:}
	ratisó::òm , tró:òp	{oģ:}
	défw:òra , mw:òrt	(w\$:}
		(Séguy 1954:309)

As a consequence it cannot be taken for granted any longer, following Straka (1959), that any spontaneous diphthongization of  $\xi$ , q must result in a fal-

ling (=ingliding) diphthong; the dialect of Quérigut offers a case where at least within the range of precision of impressionistic transcription, free variation between a long monophthong and a rising diphthong is documented. This constitutes evidence against Straka's interpretation of the lengthening effect on vowels as a universal in phonetic space: It may, or may not, be the case that low vowels produce ingliding diphthongs and non-low vowels yieldupgliding ones. The same data also destroy Schürr's universal claim that spontaneous diphthongization cannot yield a rising diphthong: on the other hand, the claim that rising diphthongs may be the result of umlaut is not affected.

In addition to the cases where & breaks up into a diphthong of rising or upgliding character, it is also possible to document 'spontaneous' diphthongization of e to an upgliding diphthong. This happened in the Francoprovenced dialect of Charmey (Fribourg, Switzerland) as reported by Gauchat (1905) and Hermann (1929). Gauchat noted for & the realizations & , &e , and ey with the oldest speakers most consistently using the monophthong and the youngest ones the diphthong ey (39-42). Hermann caught a slightly more advanced stage of this diphthongization with further elimination of the original monophthong; the & of Gauchat had in the meantime acquired a lowered variant aey (e.g. v(e)t ∿v(e)t ∿ v(aey)t 'il voit'; cf. Hermann 1929:211-2). On the back side, the 6 in the already existing diphthong w6 (e.g. pworta) had developed between the study of Gauchat and the one by Hermann a frequent variant wao in parallel to the slightly earlier evolution of à to ao (Gauchat 1905:42-7; Hermann 1929:208-10); thus a rising diphthong may further break in its syllabic part into an upgliding diphthong. The significant aspects are the fact that e and o can also yield upgliding diphthongs in addition to rising and ingliding manifestations, and that e and o may diphthongize without any further vocalic changes taking place in their potential chainshift area of the vocalic subsystem.

V. Not only is it the case that the type of diphthong resulting from a spontaneous diphthongization of  $\underline{s}$ ,  $\underline{s}$  is unpredictable in terms of present knowledge about this problem, but it is also well known from the history and dialect variations of Romance languages that rising and ingliding diphthongs frequently substitute for each other over time and space. A typi-

cal case is the history of French; cf. (15).

### (15) French diphthong evolution:

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      $\forall \text{y}\xi$
      VLt. p\( \frac{1}{2}\text{de} \rightarrow p\{y\)\( \frac{1}{2}\text{de} \rightarrow p\{y\)\( \frac{1}{2}\text{de} \rightarrow p\{y\)\( \frac{1}{2}\text{de} \rightarrow p\{y\)\( \frac{1}{2}\text{de} \rightarrow p\{\frac{1}{2}\text{de} \rightarrow p\{\
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In the Italian dialects of the Marche, Abruzzi, Calabria, and Puglie we find frequently in parallel existence the rising diphthongs wó, wé and the ingliding manifestations úa, úa, úo (Rohlfs 1949:8 123: Schürr 1956:142). All these phenomena of extensive variability of diphthongal manifestations taken together lead to the recognition that any account of diphthongization must offer a coherent framework for permitting and constraining these crossovers from one vocalic subsystem to another, as it is attempted in the descriptive schemata shown in LYS (219-28). Yet their presentation cannot constitute an explanation of intraspeaker variation between e.g. monophthong and rising diphthong (Quérigut), rising and ingliding diphthong (Italian dialects), or monophthong and upgliding diphthong (Charmey). This intra-speaker variation, and the fact that the acoustic individuality of fullfledged rising vs. upgliding vs. ingliding diphthongs should be sufficient to prevent wrong identification by the listener, make any explanation based on surface reinterpretation in the language learning stage unattractive (alleged ambiguity of input leading to 'imperfect learning'). Rather this imprecision in the reproduction of diphthongs must be backed up by an output-oriented explanation of diphthongs as functionally unitary phenomena consisting of sequential . segments (following the line of Andersen's segmental diphthongs). Being unitary in their function (whatever the empirical correlate of this property may be) the diphthongs will equally well fulfill their role in any compatible surface form (rising, upgliding, ingliding, in addition to monophthongal), thus predicting that their surface manifestations could change rather frequently (an idea already expressed by Alarcos Llorach 1968:223). If according to Stampe (1972:581) diphthongs have a syllabic function where the sequential realization serves to reduce the complexity of the single segmental articulation by distributing the basic features of color and sonority over different segments, it will not matter a great deal whether the particular diphthong is realized as an upgliding or rising diphthong (e.g. ev or we in (15)), or whether the glide or the vowel represents the chromatic aspect (we and wo in Old Castilian, wo and yo for 9 in Chioggia, Italy; cf. Rohlfs 1949:\$115), or whether the more closed or the more open element carries syllabicity (ws and so, so in Central and Southern Italian dialects). The underlying oneness of monophthongal and various diphthongal manifestations of a syllabic nucleus would also be adequate to make a needed distinction between glide insertion and deletion processes as opposed to true diphthongization and monophthongization. Such an explanation remains however a desideratum for future research.

### Notes

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>The relevant subsystems are given in LYS (1972:Fig.5-1,2). They are listed in extenso on p.220:

subsystem	symbol	example	tensenes	s distribution
short vowel	<b>◊</b> , ∨	ê, e	lax	
long vowel	V:	i: 0	tense	
ingliding diphthong	V(:)h	i:	tense	lax
upgliding diphthong	VG	ey, ei	lax	tense
rising diphthong	GV	yę(:)	lax	tense

In the following,  $\underline{\mathbf{e}}$  designates a low front,  $\underline{\mathbf{q}}$  a low back rounded vowel;  $\underline{\mathbf{y}}$  and  $\underline{\mathbf{i}}$ ,  $\underline{\mathbf{w}}$  and  $\underline{\mathbf{u}}$  are used interchangeably;  $\underline{\mathbf{y}}$  in general designates a glided non-syllabic segment;  $\underline{\mathbf{v}}$  stands for a slightly raised articulation of a given vowel;  $\underline{\mathbf{a}}$  is used for a velarized  $\underline{\mathbf{a}}$ ; length is indicated by  $\underline{\mathbf{c}}$  after the affected segment (except for the transcriptions in (14) below). Frequently only the relevant diphthongal portion of an item is given in phonetic transcription, the remainder following established orthographic tradition. Note also that  $\underline{\mathbf{a}}$  and  $\underline{\mathbf{o}}$  represent monophthongs (palatalized  $\underline{\mathbf{a}}$  and a low front rounded vowel respectively). -- I would like to thank Hans Hock for valuable suggestions and comments on an earlier draft of this note. Responsibility for any shortcomings rests solely with the author.

<sup>3</sup>The examples for these processes are taken in this instance from diphthongal developments discussed in Stampe (1972) rather than from the monophthongal chains typically observed in language learning as discussed in Miller (1972). This choice is however not crucial.

In this formalism  $\{!f(x)\}$  stands for 'more f(x)' as indicated in the interpretation following (3); cf. Stampe 1972:581.

<sup>5</sup>Ingliding diphthongs are laxness diphthongizations in his framework, whereas the other two diphthong types result indirectly from the diphthongization of some tonality or sonority feature: cf. below (11), (12) for some discussion. -- Other views of diphthongization as glide insertion (e.g. Harris 1969:161-3 for Spanish, or Haudricourt-Juilland 1970:48-57 for Romance) constitute rough descriptions of historical correspondences, but not of actual evolution; thus they cannot assume explanatory function.

<sup>6</sup>For basic information about Romance diphthongization, cf. Lausberg 1963: 88168-82; this is also the source of the Romance illustrations unless otherwise indicated. Cf. also Spore (1972) for discussion of different approaches to diphthongization in the history of Romance linguistics.

70nly conveniently representable examples have been included in these illustrations; e.g. VLt. véntu yields in OFr. vant due to the nasal consonant and thus is not topical in this context. The SIt. dialects show both rising diphthongs such as  $y \in \mathbb{R}$  and high monophthongs or ingliding diphthongs such as  $\underline{i}$ : or  $\underline{i}:\partial$  in response to unlaut environments. Only the rising diphthongs have evidential force in this context due to the imprecise information available on the history and present conditions in these dialects, especially for what concerns the ingliding diphthongs.

<sup>8</sup>In the context of the fact that Castilian has generalized diphthongization of  $\underline{\xi}$ ,  $\underline{\xi}$  in any environment, whereas Old Provençal does not have any diphthongization of  $\underline{\xi}$ ,  $\underline{\xi}$  outside of this situation. (Cf. (6), (7) above).

 $^9\mathrm{The}$  case of VLt.  $\underline{\mathrm{u}}>\underline{\ddot{\mathrm{u}}}$  in various Romance languages interferes with what might otherwise be a diphthongization; even this change has repeatedly been identified as a diphthongization: cf. Stampe (1972:507). The evidence is in general negative for this interpretation. Cf. also LYS (100, 194-7) for some discussion of the Romance situation, and in particular the high vowels.

10 Cf. especially Schürr 1918-19, 1956a, 1956b, 1962. The following account is based mainly on Schürr 1956b. Cf. Spore (1972:290-5) for a negative assessment of Schürr's position within Romance linguistics.

11 The fact pointed out earlier (cf. (8) above) that umlaut had as its result not only diphthongs but also raised monophthongs is interpreted by Schürr to mean that these monophthongs are monophthongized reflexes of earlier rising diphthongs, he supports this hypothesis with explicit data from Romagnolo (1918-19.II:131-88). An interesting claim deriving from

this position is that once diphthongization has affected a vowel it will not be possible for this vowel to revert to its exactly same monophthongal form; remonophthongization implies the application of some assimilative processes (e.g.  $\frac{c}{2} > \dots > \frac{yc}{2} > \frac{yc}{2} > \frac{c}{2}$ ). Thus in the case of Tuscan dialects, especially modern Florentine, where the earlier diphthongization of  $\frac{c}{2} > \frac{yc}{2}$  is now lost and  $\frac{c}{2}$  is restored, the change can be observed not as a tendential monophthongization (which should yield some other result) but as an outright deletion of  $\frac{c}{2}$  (cf. De Mauro 1963:390).

The situation for  $\underline{6}$ ,  $\underline{6}$  is the same mutatis mutandis. The postulated tenseness of  $\underline{6}$  and  $\underline{6}$  is not ascertainable independently; the fact that these vowels did occur long and stressed in the same environments (open syllable) after the collapse of Classical Latin vowel quantity distinctions seems to support the position taken here.

 $^{13}$ The judgments determining marked vs. unmarked values for the single features follow the examples set in Andersen (1972); even if the linear order of the polarized features should be reversed, there is no way that a rising diphthong could be derived from  $\underline{e}$ .

<sup>14</sup>Other problematic aspects of Andersen's approach are his treatment of the difference between the various types of diphthongs (cf. fn (5) above); the basic inability to explain any chainshift phenomena if they do occur (cf. however the advantage of this position indicated in the text); and the virtual exclusion of triphthongs as natural extensions of diphthongs (cf. below for Charmey  $w\phi > w\alpha$ ; or OFr. elc > eqc > eac > eac

The phonetic transcription in the right margin follows the system used in this paper; the other data are given according to Séguy (1954):  $\underline{\underline{e}}$ ,  $\underline{\delta}$  = mid vowels;  $\underline{\underline{e}}$ ,  $\underline{\delta}$  = low vowels: length can be  $\underline{\underline{\cdot}}$  (short),  $\underline{\underline{\cdot}}$  (long),  $\underline{\underline{\cdot}}$ : (overlong); these length symbols precede the relevant segment (308).

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